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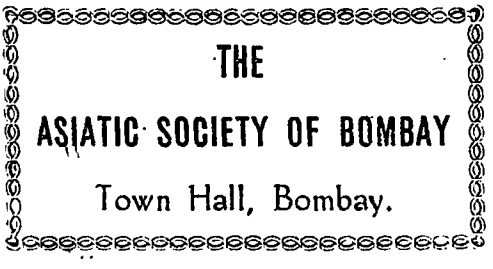

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ON THE ABORIGINES OF NORTH-EASTERN INDIA.

PURSUANT to my plan of furnishing to the readers of the Journal a glance at the Ethnic affinities of the Aborigines of India, from the snows to Cape Comorin, I have now the honour to submit a comparative vocabulary, uniform with its precursors, of the Dhimál, Bódó, and Gáró tongues, preceded by the written and spoken Tibetan, for a reason that will presently appear.

I regret that I could not on a recent occasion, nor can now, give the Chépáng vocables on this model. But it is many years since I have had access to that secluded people, and I cannot now calculate on having it again.

As I have already, in a separate work, given the Dhimál and Bódó languages upon a scale much ampler than the present one, and as I have, moreover, in that work demurred to the sufficiency of summary vocabularies, it may be asked why I repeat myself on the present occasion, and in the very manner I have myself objected to? My answer to this question is ready, and I hope will prove satisfactory. Three years have now elapsed since I published the work alluded to, and in that time I have had ample opportunity to observe the general indisposition to enter the field of Indian Ethnology, bent upon serious labour like the author of that work. Now, general co-operation is the one thing needful in this case: and since I feel certain that there is no want of mental vigour in this land, I am led to ascribe the slackness I have experienced in obtaining co-operators according to the suggested model, to the novelty of the subject, whence it happens

that few persons can perceive the extensive bearings and high interest of that subject.

By the present series of summary vocabularies I hope to make these points apparent, when I confidently anticipate that many able men who could not be won to give their time and attention to the elucidation of the barbarous jargon of this or that insulated and petty tribe of aborigines, will yet be stimulated to efficient exertion upon being made aware that the question, in fact, relates to the fate and fortunes, the migrations and improvement or deterioration, of the largest family of human kind. No question of ethnology is insulated. It is quite the contrary, and that by its very nature. So that wherever we begin, even with the humblest tribe, we must soon find that we are dealing with the history, and with a material portion of the history, of some great mass of the human race. Thus, the latest investigators of the general subject of human affinities include in the great Mongolian family not merely the high Asian Nomades, or the Túrks, the Mongols and the Tangús, but also (with daily increasing, though not yet conclusive, evidence) the Tibetans, the Chinese, the Indo-Chinese, and the Tamúlians. The Tamúlians include the whole of the aborigines of India, whether civilised or uncivilised, from Cape Comorin to the snows; except the inhabitants of the great mountainous belt confining the plains of India towards Tibet, China, and Ava. These last are, in the North-West, derived from the Tibetan stock; and in the South-East, from the Indo-Chinese stock: the 92° of east longitude, or the Dhansri river of Assám, apparently forming the dividing line of the two races, which are each vastly numerous and strikingly diversified, yet essentially one, just as are the no less numerous and varied races of the single Tamúlian stock. Thus, we cannot take up the investigation of a narrow and barren topic like that of the Kúkí, the Chépáng, or the Gónd tribe without presently finding ourselves engaged in unravelling some, it may be, dark and intricate, but truly important, chapter of the history of one of those large masses of human kind, the Indo-Chinese, the Tibetans, or the Tamúlians. Nor can one prosecute this investigation

far without perceiving that our subject has yet ampler relations, connecting itself by indissoluble yet varied links with those tremendous warriors who planted their standards on the walls of Pekin and Delhi, of Vienna and Moscow. Much of their fate and fortunes belongs to history, but much more to pre-historic times, when vast bodies of these so-called Mongols poured themselves upon India, from the North and from the East, both before and subsequent to the great immigration of the Arian Hindús. Have you no curiosity to learn what may be learnt anent these important and, for us British denizens of India, domestic events? Or do you doubt the validity of any available media of proof? If the latter, as is probable, be the ground of your objection to such inquiries, I would say in the first place, look steadfastly at any man of an aboriginal race (an ubiquitarian Dhánger for instance), and say if a Mongol origin is not palpably inscribed on his face? Or, again, take a score of words of his language and compare them with their equivalents in Hindí, U'rdú, or any other Prakrit, and say if you are not sensible of being in a foreign realm of speech? And what can that realm be but the North and North-East, the North-West being no way available to your purpose? In the second place, I would observe that every medium of proof which has been employed to demonstrate the unity of the Iranian family is available to demonstrate the unity of the Turanian; whilst, with regard to prima facia improbabilities, much greater ones once encompassed the now admitted fact that Hindús, Persians, Germans, English, Irish, Russians, are members of one family, viz., the Iranian, than can attend any similarly perfect demonstration, that Tamúlians, Tibetans, Indo-Chinese, Chinese, Tangús, Mongols, and Túrks are so many branches of another single family, viz., the Turánian. Nor are these questions of interest only to the speculative philosopher. They are, on the contrary, of vital importance to the statesman who may be led into the most serious practical errors for want of such lights as ethnology affords. I will give a striking and recent instance. The Chief Secretary of the Government, who is likewise one of the most able and accomplished men in India, in speaking of the educational improvability of the Hindús,

has formally alleged the *impossibility* of making them worthy and vigorous men and citizens by reason of their race,* when it is really as certain as that 2 and 2 make 4, that the race of the Hindús is identical with Mr. Elliot's own! Glottology and anatomy combine to place this great truth (and in every educational view it is pre-eminently such for all those who are now seeking to make this splendid country capable of adequate British, and eventually in the fulness of time of self-government) upon an unshakable foundation. Would that the science of Law, national and international, stood upon an equally stable basis of numerous, largely and irrefragably inducted facts.

Having said so much, by way of encouragement, upon the extensive bearings and high importance of Indian ethnology, I will now add a few words by way of caution. Mr. Robinson, in a recent paper upon sundry of the border tribes of Assam,† has not scrupled confidently to assert the affinity of these tribes (the Bódó and Gáró amongst others) with the people of Tibet. This may or may not be so. But I apprehend that this alleged affinity demands larger and more careful investigation than Mr. Robinson has yet had leisure to apply to it, and that in thus deciding upon a most interesting and difficult point, he has adduced maxims which are not very tenable. In the first place, he has wholly neglected the physical and psychical evidence which are, each of them, as important as the glottological towards the just decision of a question of ethnic affinity. In the next place, whilst adducing a copious vocabulary which makes against, and a curt survey of the mechanism of language which (we will allow) makes for, his assertion, he proceeds to lay down the doctrine that the former medium of proof is worthy of very little, and the latter medium of proof (thus imperfectly used and applied) is worthy of very much reliance. In the third place, whilst insisting upon the indispensableness of a written and fixed standard of speech, he has neglected the excellent standard that was available for the Tibetan tongue, and has proceeded to rest upon two spoken standards, termed by him Bhotia and Chángló, but neither of

* Preface to the Moslem Historians of India. I cordially assent nevertheless to the justice of Mr. Elliot's strictures. But I find the cause of the actual evil elsewhere.

† Journal, No. 201, for March 1849.

which agrees with the written or spoken language of Lassa and Digarchi. In the fourth place, he speaks of Bhót, alias Tibet, and Bhútán, alias Lhó, as the same country; and also gives his unknown Chángló a position within the known limits of Bhútán,* without the slightest reference to the latter well-known country; besides, speaking of the cis-Himálayans and sub-Himálayans (p. 203) as separate races!

These remarks are by no means captiously made. But some sifting of the evidence adduced is surely indispensable when a question of delicacy and difficulty is (I must think) prejudged upon such grounds.

Mr. Robinson is possibly not aware how much of the mechanism of the whole of the Turanian group of languages is common to every one language of that group, nor that the Tamúlian and Tibetan languages are held to be integral parts of that group. Yet such are apparently the facts,† whence it must surely result that a cursory and exclusive view of the organisation of one of these languages, such as Mr. Robinson gives and rests on, cannot be adequate to settle the Tibetan affinities of the Bódós and Gárós (interalia), since the points of lingual agreement cited may be neutral quantities, that is, characteristics common (say) to the Tamúlian and Tibetan tongues, or to the Chinese and Tibetan: and certainly some of them are so far from being diagnostically, that is, exclusively, Tibetan, that they belong to Hindí, Urdú, and even to English! We have yet much to learn touching the essentials of the structure of the Indo-Chinese tongues, the Chinese and the Tibetan; and until a philosophical analysis shall have been made of these languages, it will be very hazardous to rest upon a cursory view of the supposed distinctive (structural) characters of Mr. Robinson's exclusive standard, or the Tibetan; in regard to the structure of which tongue, moreover, he has scarcely more fully availed himself of De Körös' grammar than he has in his vocabulary of De Körös' dictionary. Under these circumstances I am disposed to place at least as much reliance upon Mr. Robinson's copious list of vocables‡ as I can

* Viz., 92½° east longitude.—*Pemberton's Report.*

† Prichard, Vol. IV. p. 199 ff., and Bunsen's Report.

‡ This list seems to gainsay Mr. R.'s theory, for if the Bódós (for example) were

do upon his incomplete analysis of structure; and with regard to Mr. R.'s disparagement of the words of any unwritten and uncultivated tongue as evidence of ethnic affinity, I must say there seems to me a good deal of exaggeration.*

Whoever shall take an adequate number, not more than Mr. Robinson's, of well-selected words, and shall take them with such care as to be able to reach the roots of the words and to cast off those servile particles, whether prefixes or postfixes, among which deviation is ever most rife, may confidently rely upon his vocabulary for much sound information respecting ethnic affinities, supposing, of course, that he has a good standard and makes the proper use of it. Of course, I reject, with Mr. Robinson, as neutral quantities, all adopted, imitative and interjectional words. But when I find Mr. R. insisting upon "casual" resemblances as a class of words equally worthless with the three above enumerated, I desire to know what this chance means; for one of the highest of living authorities on ethnology and glottology, and one, too, who insists almost too much upon the mechanism of language,† declares that "the chance is less than one in a million for the same combination of sounds signifying the same precise object."‡ With these cautionary remarks, which are given in a spirit of perfect courtesy towards Mr. R., I now conclude, any further observations being unnecessary to explain my purpose in appending the written and spoken Tibetan—the former from De Cörös, the latter from a native of Lassa—to my present series of vocables.

of Tibetan origin, it is hardly credible that their ordinary vocables should not more plainly reveal the fact, seeing that they have never been out of actual contact with races of the same descent as that ascribed to them. The sub-Himálayan dialects differ from the trans-Himálayan standard: but identity is here shown in the roots as well as in the mode of agglutinating the servile particles; not to mention that the snows form such a barrier in this case as exists not in regard to the Bódó intercourse with tribes of Tibetan origin.

The same general result follows from a careful examination of the vocabularies now forwarded. Apparently the Tibetan, like the Hindi, words, are adopted ones.

* Mr. Kemble has lately made most important use of the Saxon of the Heptarchy, of its words, and words only, in his "Saxons in England." A yet higher and strictly ethnological use has been made of the vocables of the old Iberian tongue by the younger Humboldt, who was yet reduced to glean these vocables from maps! What would not Bunsen give for 100 plain words of the old Egyptian tongue, as spoken!

† See Bopp's remarks on the structural diagnostics of Sanscrit and Arabic.—*Comp. Gram.* ‡ Bunsen's Report to the Brit. Assoc.

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English.	*Tibetan.*		*Dhimál.*	*Bódó.*	*Gáró.*
	Written.	*Spoken.*			
Air	rSúngma	Shákpá	Birima Bhirma	Bár H	Lampár
Ant	Grogma	Thómá	Nhá múï	Hásá brai	Góngá, Sámbúr
Arrow	mDáh	Da	Khér	Balá	Phéé
Bird	Byú	Chyá	Jíhá	Dou-chen	Tou-chap
Blood	Khráng	Thák	Hiki	Thóï	Chí
Boat	Grú	Koá, Syén	Náwár H	Nou H	Rúng
Bone	Rúspa	Rúkó	Hárá H	Bégéng	Kéréng
Buffalo	Mahi. s	Máhé	Díá	Moisho	Moishí
Cat	Byila	Simi	Mén khou	Mouji	Myou
Cow	Bá	Phá chúk	Píá	Mash-hú-jo	Máshú
Crow	Kháta	Ablak	Kawá	Dou-khá	Koura
Day	Nyinmo	Nyi mo	Nyi tima T	Shyán	Rasán, Sán
Dog	Khyi	Uyó	Khíá T	Choï má	Kai T
Ear	Sá	Amchó	Nhá tóng	Khoma	Máchór
Earth	rNá	Sá	Bhónoï	Há	Há
Egg	sGónga	Gong ná	Túï	Dou-doï (*fowl's water.*)	Tou-chí (*fowl's blood*)
Elephant	gLángchén	Lámboché	Nária	Moï gédét	Náplo
Eye	Mig	Mik	Mí T	Mogon	Makar
Father	Phá	Pálá	A'bá	Bípha	A'bá
Fire	Má	Mó	Mé T	Wat	Ver, Wal
Fish	Nyá	Gná	Haiyá	Ná T	Ná T
Flower	Métog	Méntok	Lhép	Bíbar	Parr
Foot	rKángpá	Kángó	Khókóï	Yáphá	Chaplap
Goat	Rá	Rá	E'échá	Búrmá [mon	Púrún
Hair	sKrá, sPú	Tá. Krá	Múï tú	Khanai, Kho-	Kaman, Houru
Hand	Lág pá	Lángó	Khúr	A'khai	Chákréng
Head	mGó	Gó	Púring	Khóró	Dakam
Hog	Phag	Phak	Páyá	Yóma	Vak
Horn	Rá	Rajo	Dáng	Góng	Korong
Horse	rTá	Tá	Onhyá	Kórai H	Ghora H
House	Khyim	Náng	Chá	Noö	Nagou
Iron	lChags	Chhyá	Chír	Chúrr	Shúrr
Leaf	Lómá	Hyómá	Lhává	Lai	Léchak
Light	Hod	Hwé. Eu	Sánéká	Chúráng Shráng	Klángkláng
Man	Mi	Mi	Wával, Diáng	Híwá Mánshi *	Míva
Monkey	sPrébú	Tyú	Nhóyá	Mókhara	Kouwé
Moon	zLáva	Dáwá	Tálí	Nókhábir	Ráng rét
Mother	Ama	A'má	Amá	Bímá	Ama
Mountain	Rí	Rí	Rá T	Hájó	Há chúr
Mouth	Khá	Khá	Núï	Khouga	Hótóng
Moschito	Súnbú mChurings	Syé dongma	Jáhá	Thámphóï	Sotsá
Name	Ming	Ming	Ming T	Múng T	Múng T
Night	mTshanmo	Chénmó	Nhishing	Hór	Phar
Oil	hBrúmár	Num	Chúïtí	Thou	Tél H
Plantain	Caret	Grálá	Yúmphí	Thálit	Laktai
River	gTsáng po	Cháng pó	Chí	Dóï	Chí
Road	Lam	Lani	Dámá T	Lámá T	Lam T
Salt	Tshá	Chhá	Désé	Shyúng káré, Sayúng kri	Syang
Skin	Pág spa	Pág-pa	Dhálé	Bígúr	Holop

* Diáng and Mánshi express mankind, met. F. Wával and Hiwá, man only.

English.	Tibetan.		Dhimál.	Bódó.	Gáró.
	Written.	Spoken.			
Sky	Nam kháh	Nam	Sórgi H	Nó khoráng	Sórg H
Snake	sBrúl	Deu	Púnhá	Jíbou	Dúpú
Star	sKarma	Karma	Phúró	Háthot khi	Laitan
Stone	rDó	Dó	U'nthúr	Onthai	Lóng
Sun	Nyimá	Nyí má	Bélá H	Shán	Sán, Rasán
Tiger	sTag	Tak	Khúná	Mochá	Matsá
Tooth	Só	Só	Sí tong	Hathai	Phá tóng
Tree	lJonshing	Shin dong	Shing T	Bong-pháng	Pan
Village	Yúl tsho	Thóng	Dérá H	Phárá H	Sóng
Water	Chhú	Chhú	Chí T	Dóï	Chí-ká T
Yam	Dóvá	Thómá	Ling	Thá	Han
I	Ná	Gnyá	Ká	A'ng	A'ng
Thou	Khyod	Khé	Ná	Náng	Náng
He, she it	Kho	Khú	Wá	Bí	U'
We	Nachag	Gnánjo	Kyel	Jong	Ning
Ye	Khyodchag	Khenjo	Nyel	Nang chúr	Nanók
They	Khochag	Khonjo	U'bal	Bí chúr	O'nók, Wonók
Mine	Nahi, Nayi	Gná yi	Káng	Angni	Angni
Thine	Khoyod kyi	Khé yi	Náng	Nangni	Nangni
His, &c.	Khoyi, Khóhi	Khó yi	Wáng	Bíni	U'ni
Ours	Nachaggi	Gnánjo yi	King	Jong ni	Ning ni
Yours	Khyod, Changgi	Khenjo yi	Níng	Nang chúrni	Nanókni.
Theirs	Khochaggi	Khonjo yi	U'bal ko	Bíchúrni	O'nókni
One	gChig	Chik	E'-long	Man-ché T	Gó-shá
Two	gNyis	Nyi	Nhé-long T	Man-né T	Gi-ning, A-ning
Three	gSúm	Súm	Súm-lang	Man-tham	Ga-thám, A-thám
Four	bZhi	Zhyi	Diá-long T	Man-bré	Bri
Five	Hna	Gná	Ná-long T	Man-bá	Bóngá
Six	Drúk	Thú	Tú-long T	Man-dó	Krók T
Seven	bDún	Dún	Nhí-long	Man-chini	Sining
Eight	brGyúd	Gyé	Yé-long	...	Chét
Nine	dGú	Gúh	Kúhá-long	...	Jú T
Ten	bChú Thámbá	Chúh	Té-long	... [sha-ché	Chí T
Twenty	Nyi shú	Nyi shú	E'long bísá	Chokai-bá Bi-	Rúng shá *
Thirty	Súmchú	Súmchú	Caret	Caret	Rúng shá chi
Forty	bZhibchú	Hip chú	Nhé bísa	Bishá né	Rúng ning
Fifty	Hnabchú	Gnap chú	Caret	Caret	Rúng ning chi
Hundred	brGyá-thambá	Gyá, Gyá thambá	Ná bísa	Bishá bá	Rúng bóngá
Of	Kyi, Gi, Hi, Yi	Gi	Kó	Ní	Ní
To	Lá, Tú, Dú, Rá, Sú	Lá	E'ng	No	Ná
From	Nas, Las	Né, Diné	Shó	Phrá	Prá
By, inst.	Kyis, Gin S. His, Yis	I'	Dóng, Ou	Jóng	Man
With, cum, Sáth, in Hindi and U'rdú	Lhanchig	Lá, Dá	Dópá, Dósá	Lago, Jong	Mon
Without, sine, Bina in Hindi	...	Thána	Mánthú	O'ngá, Géyá	Tóng chani gamang
In, On	Lá, Ná	Lá	Rhútá	Chon, Nou, Ou	Púm vái, Pir vai

* Bísá, Bishá vel Rúng is a score, and the system of enumeration is one score, one score and ten, two score, and so on to 5 score for 100.
Cho kai ba in the Bódó column is 6 groats or Gandas for 20.

English.	*Tibetan.*		*Dhimál.*	*Bódó.*	*Gáró.*
	Written.	*Spoken.*			
Now	Déngtsé, Dá Déng	Thándá	E'lang	Dánó	Tayan
Then	Dé tsé	Thi dwi	Kólá	Obélá H	Té éng
When?	Gang tsé Nam	Khádwi	Hélou	Mábélá	Bíbá
To-day	Déring	Thíring	Náni	Diné H	Tingní
To-morrow	Sáng, Thoré	Sáng	Júmni	Gábún	Ganáp
Yesterday	m Dáng	Dáng	Anji	Míá	Mí vai
Here	Hadina	Dicho	I'sho	Imbo	Yáyan
There	Héna	Hácho	U'sho	Hobo	Wáng
Where?	Gangná	Khácho	Hésho	Mouha	Bié
Above	sTengna	Teng, Ghe yégi	Rhútá	Chhá	Pír vai
Below	Hogna	Wó, Syú, Magi	Létá	Sying	Chúrik vai
Between	Bar, du	Bhar	Májhata H	Gójér	Majár vai H
Without, Outside	Phyi, rohna	Chi	Báhiro H	Báhirou H	Báhír vai H
Within	Nang, na	Náng	Lipta	Singou, Sing	Púma vai
Far	Né, Nyé	Tháring	Dúré H	Gajáng	Pijáng
Near	Ring	Tháni	Chéng só	Khátai	Katai
Little	Nyúng	Nigúva	A'toïsá	Tísí, Kitisi	Kiték si
Much	Máng, Tumo [ma	Má gúá	E'shúto	Gabáng	Takkri
How much?	Tsam, Tsó-	Khá chevé	Hé joko	Béché báng	Bipáng
As, rel.	Hadétsúg	Khánda	Jédóng	Jirin	Jégándá
So, corr.	Détsúg	Théndá	Kódóng	U'rin	U'gánda
Thus, poz.	Jitsúng	Dindá	U'dóng	U'rin	U'gándá
How?	Tsúg, Chitsug	Kháché Khánda	Hé sá, Hé dong	Bré	Bigándá
Why?	...	Khá ïn	Haipáli	Mánó	A'táng
Yes	...	I'n	Jéng *	O'ngó *	Há
No	Má, Mì	Mén	Má, Manthú T	Ongá	Ahá
(Do) not	...	Má	Má T	Dá	Tá
Also, and	Yáng	Yáng	Caret	Bi, Bo	Bá
Or	...	Mo	Ná	Ná	Ná
This	Hadé	Di	I'thoï	Imbé	I'mara
That [Jón	Dé	Phi-di	U'thoï	O'bé	O'mara
Which, rel.	...	Thinda	Jédong	Jé, Jai H	Jón H
Which corr. Tón	...	Thé	Kódong	Bi, (that)	Wón H
Which? Kón	Gáng	Khangi	Hai, Héti	Má	A'to, Biyó
What? Kya	Chi	Kháng	Hai	Má	A'tó
Who? Kón	Sú, Kha	Khángi, Sú	Héti	Chúr	Cháng
Any thing, Kúcch	Chizhig	Khá ïn	Hété, Haidong	Múngbó, Jishláp	Harj múrj
Any body, Kói	Súzhig Kháchig	Sú ín	Hété	Jishláp	Já-tá?
Eat!	Zo	Só	Chá]	Já	Sá
Drink:	hThúng	Thúng	A'm	Lúng	Lúng
Sleep	Nyan	Nyé	Jím	Múdúláng	Gúr
Wake	...	Caret	Lho	Jakháng	Sarai
Laugh	bGad	Gá	Léng	Mini	Mini
Weep	Nú, Shúm	Gnó	Khár [dóp	Gáp	Hép
Be silent	Khrog	Chúm	Chiká pahi, Má-	Srithá	Tápchilip tong
Speak	brJod, Smrós	Caret	Dóp	Rai	Brot, Borot
Come	Hóng sByon	Syo	Ló	Phoi	Phoi

* Jéng and O'ngó mean rather it is, hast in Persian, than simple assent.

English.	*Tibetan.*		*Dhimál.*	*Bódó.*	*Gáro.*
	Written.	*Spoken.*			
Go	Sóng, Gró, Gyú	Gyó	Hadé	Tháng	Loi
Stand up	hChhár	Lóng	Jáp	Jakháng	Chap
Sit down	hDúg	Deh	Yong	Jó	Abak
Move, Walk	hGro	Gyó	Tí, Hadé	Thó, Cháng	Loï
Run	rGyúg	Gyúgé Chong	Dháp	Khát	Talok
Give	hBúh, Phúl,Thona	Phing	Pí	Hot	Há
Take	bLán, Júng, Hén	Léng, Yá	Rhú	Lá, Ná T?	Lé, Lau
Strike	bDún, rDig	Dúng	Dánghai T	Sho	Tok
Kill	Shig, Sod, h Gúm	Sé	Sé T	Shothát	Tok tat
Bring	hKhyon, sKych	Bá syo	Chú má	Lá bo	Láphá
Take away	hKhúr, bKhyer	Bák, song	Chúng pú	Láng	Léláng
Lift up, raise	hDég, Slon, sNyob	Khúr	Lhopá	Bokháng	Paicho
Hear	Nyám, gSon	Nyén	Hin	Khaná chong	Natám
Understand	Soms, Go	Sám	Bújhté rhú	Bújílá H	Bújai H
Tell, relate	hShod, hChhod	Láp, Chwé	Dop	Rai	Borot
Good	Bazáng-po	Yappo	Elká	Gham	Péném
Bad	Náng-po	Dúkpo	Máélká	Hamma	Sarchá
Cold	Gráng-po	Thammo	Tirká	Gúshú	Chikrop
Hot	Tshá-po, Dropo	Chábo	Cháká	Gúdúng	Gútúng
Raw	...	Zyémbo	Sinkhá	Gathánng	Piting
Ripe	Sminbo	Chémbo	Minká	Gamang	Papman
Sweet	...	Gnármo	Tááka	Gadoï	Sahmá
Sour	...	Caret	Dakká	Gaphá, Gakhoï	Phakká
Bitter	...	Kháko	Khákká T..	Gakhá	Háni
Handsome	Dsésmo, sTúgpo	Jébo	Rémká	Majáng	Némá
Ugly	Midsesma, Mistúg-	Mén Jébo	Máremká	Cháprna	Sarchá
Straight	Dránpo [po	Thángbo	Ghenká	Thúng, júng	Préng dén
Crooked	sGúrbo, Túdpo	Kákpo	Kyoká	Khúngkrá	Kákróï
Black	Nágpo	Nákpo	Dááká	Gatcham	Pénék
White	dKárpo	Kárpo	Jééká	Gúphút	Bok láng
Red	sMúkpo	Márpo	I'ká	Gajá	Písak
Green	hJáng, khú	Jhángú	Nélpá	Samsram, Kháng shúr	Héng jelóng
Long	Ringpo	Rimbo	Rhinká T	Galou	Pillo
Short	Thúngpo	Thún dúng	Tótóká	Gúchúng	Bandók
Tall, man	...	Thombo	Dhángáká	Gajou	Pillo
Short, man	...	Mábó	Bángraká	Gahai	Bandók
Small	Chhúng, Phra	Chún chúng	Mhoïká	Múdúï	Pamar
Great	Chhénpo, sBombo	Bombo	Dhamká	Gédét	Gódá
Round	zLumpo	Riri	Gúrmaká	Dúllút ni, Tolotni	Góglot-ni
Square	Grúb, zhi (*angles* 4)	Thúzí *angles* 4)	Dia thúni ká (*angles* 4)	Kónámanbréni (kóná is H)	Koná bri ni (kóná is H)
Flat, Level	...	Caret	Sáriká	Somán ni H	Gakshan
Fat	rGyagspo	Thó thembo	Dhámká	Gúphúng	Kánéntwa
Thin	Srobbo, Ridpo	Mábó?	Syénká	Gaham	Jot kréng
Weariness	...	Gyák	Caret	Myéng dúng	Réwé kou
Thirst	sKóm	Khakúm	Chí ámli	Gáng dúng	Chíka láng nóítwa
Hunger	lTógs	Tok	Mhítú	U'nkwi dúng	Máyú phítwá

N. B.—T post-fixed indicates a Tibetan etymon for the word; and H post-fixed, a Hindí or Urdú origin.

Thus it appears that there are, out of the above, 190 words derived from Hindí, or from Tibetan, in Dhimál, in Bódó, and in Gáró, as follows:—

	Hindí.	Tibetan.	
Dhimál	8	19	Out of a total of 190 words of prime use and necessity. Ergo, these are adopted words?
Bódó	10	6	
Gáró	8	7	

SECTION IV.

ABORIGINES OF THE NORTH-EAST FRONTIER.

DARJILING, *September 16th*, 1850.

To the Secretary of the Asiatic Society.

SIR,—I have the honour to enclose another series of Vocabularies obtained for me by the Rev. N. Brown of Sibságor, in furtherance of my plan of exhibiting to the Society a sample of the lingual affinities of all the Aborigines of India on an uniform plan. The present series comprises four dialects of the Nágá tongue,—the Chútia, the Ahóm, the Khámti, the Láos,—and the Siamese. My valuable correspondent Mr. Brown has favoured me with the following remarks on the present occasion:—

"The first four columns of the table complete the variations, priorly given, of the strangely corrupted Nágá language. This tongue affords an extraordinary exemplification of the manner in which an unwritten language may be broken up even upon a small extent of territory. On the other hand, in the great Tái family we have a not less striking instance of the preservation of a language in almost its original integrity and purity through many centuries, and in despite of a vast territorial diffusion; for, from Bankók to Sadiyá, along the Meinám, Salwén, Irawádi, and Kyendwen rivers, up to the sources of the Irawádi, through fourteen degrees of latitude, there is but one language, notwithstanding the diversity of governments under which the speakers of it live.

"The Míthan and Tablúng Nágás (see table) reside on the hills east and north of Sibságor. The Kháris descend upon the plains near Jórhát. They are much superior to the other

Nágás. The Jabokas and Banferas are the neighbours of the Mítháns, with nearly similar tongues. The Angámis occupy the southern end of the Nágá country. The Chútia is the language of one of the old tribes of Assam, now nearly extinct. The Ahóm also is nearly extinct as a spoken tongue. The present Ahóms of Assam, descendants of the conquerors, still form one of the largest portions of its population. But their language, as well as their religion, has been relinquished for those of the Hindus. Their ancient creed had little resemblance to Buddhism or to Bráhmanism. The Khámtis retain their tongue, but have lost their creed. They have accepted Buddhism from the Burmas, from whom they have likewise borrowed many new words.

"In answer to your queries I can but say, at present, that I highly appreciate the importance of a standard for the Indo-Chinése tongues; but which language has the best claim to be constituted such I do not know. I should be inclined, however, to assume the Burmese, which is at least *half-brother to the Tibetan.* This would bring the Tibetan, the Lhópá or Bhútánese, the Burmese, the Singhpho, the Nágá, &c., into a kind of family union. The Siamese Shyán, or, as the people themselves call it, the Tái, cannot be brought into the same category. It has little or no affinity with the neighbouring dialects, and may represent another whole class of languages not yet ascertained. It is probably allied to the Chinese, and is in importance not inferior to the Burmese."

English.	*Mithan Nágá.*	*Tablung Nágá.*	*Khari Nágá.*	*Angami Nágá.*	*Deoria chutia.*	*Ahom.*	*Khamti.*	*Laos.*	*Siamese.*
Air	rangbin	wang yak	aning	tikhe	beni	lóm	lóm	lóm	lóm
Ant	tiksá	tik há	hungzah	hache	chimechi	nyuchu	mót	mót, puak	mót
Arrow	sán	láhan	takaba	thiwu	átá	lem	lim	lempün	lukson
Bird	ó	óuhá	ozah	parú	duá	nuktú	nók	nók	nok
Blood	áji	ih	ai	unhi	chui	let	lüt	leut	leuat
Boat	khóa	iseng	aróng	ru	nu	ru	hü	heu	reua
Bone	rhá	wan	taret	uru	pichon	tau	nuk	dúk	kaduk
Buffalo	loi	tek	apang	rali	mé	khrai	khwai	khwái	khwái
Cat	miáh	ami	mochi	nunno	midige	men	miau	meau	meau
Cow	máhu	máhu	masü	mithu	mósu	hu	ngó	ngóa	wóa, ngóa
Crow	okhá	ausapa	waru	chejá	duká	ká	ká	ká	ká
Day	anyí	tiní	asónga	sánjá	sánjá	bán	wan	wan	wan
Dog	hí	kui	ai	tasü	shi	má	má	má	má
Ear	ná	ná	tenhaun	anye	yáku	pik	hú	hú	hú
Earth	háwán	katok	alí	kije	yá	din	langmin	dín	phendin
Egg	otí	kek	ansü	podzü	dujá	khrai	khai	khai	khai
Elephant	lóak	lok niu	sati	tsu	meu	tyáng	tsáng	tsang	chang
Eye	mik	mik	tenik	amhi	mukuti	tá	tá	tá	tá
Father	apá	opáh	tabá	apó	tsipá	po	po	po	po
Fire	van	áh	matsü	mi	nye	fai	fai	fai	fai
Fish	ngiá	nyále	anghá	kho	tsingá	plá	pá	pá	plá
Flower	maipóa	chupeng	taben	popu	ibá	blok	mok	dok	dokmai
Foot	tchyá	yah lan	tachang	uphi	yápásu	tin	tin	tín	tin
Goat	rón	yun	nabóng	tanü	lipeduru	pengá	pe	pe	pe
Hair	khó	min, su	kwá	atsü thá	kin	phrum	phóm	phóm	phóm
Hand	chak	yak	takhet	abi	ótun	khá	mü	mü	mü
Head	kháng	sang	telim	atsü	gubong	rú	hó	hó	hóa
Hog	vak	ak	auk	thavo	chu	mu	mú	mú	mú
Horn	róng	wong	tih	pokhye	nu	khau	khau	khau	khau
Horse	man	kowai	kungri	chekwir	górí	má	má	má	má
House	ham	nok	aki	ki	nyá	ren	hün	heun	reuan
Iron	jián	yan	ayin	je	sung	lik	lék	lek	lek
Leaf	pan chak	phum yak	tuwá	ponye	chiá	bóu	maü	bai	bai
Light	rangai	nining	snaugo	ngukwi	dákári	leng	leng	leng, tseng	sawang
Man	mí	sauniak	ami	theme	mósi	kun	kun	khón	khón

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Monkey	mainuk	simai	kishá	takwi	iku	laling	ling	wok, ling	líng
Moon	letnu	le	leta	kharr	yáh	den	lün	deun	tawan
Mother	ánnu	onu	tü	azo	tsimá	me	me	me	me
Mountain	...	...	apih	chaju	asü	doi	noi	loi	pukhau
Mouth	tun	chusim	tabaun	amü	dumju	sup	sóp	pák	pák
Musquito	...	...	mrilá	viru	dán	phreng	yung	yung	yung
Name	man	min	achu	nzá	mu	chu	tsu	tsü	chü
Night	rang nak.	vang niak	áyáh	tizí	siri	dam	khün	khün	khün
Oil	mangá	mangá	tutsü	kakizu	tu	man ngá	nam, man	nam, man	nam, man
Plantain	...	...	mangó	tekwasi	tüzu	kui	kúe	kue	klue
River	shuá	yang nú	atsü	kharr	ji maji	khe	khye nam	nam me	mé nam
Road	lam	lam	ndi	cháh	tságu	táng	táng	tang	tháng
Salt	hum	hum	machi	matse	sün	klu	kü	kue, kem	kleüa
Skin	khóan	soh	tagap	bikhr	chikun	plek	nang	nang	nang
Sky	...	...	aning	thi	pichoni	fá	fá	fáfón	fá
Snake	pu	pu	ahü	thinhye	dubu	ngó	ngú	ngu	ngú
Star	lethi	cháhá	peti	themü	jiti	dau	náu	láu	dáu
Stone	lóng	yóng	alóng	kache	yatíri	frá	hin	hin	hin
Sun	rang hán	wang hí	suhih	nakhi	sánh	bán	wan	kang wan	tawan
Tiger	chianú	sahnu	akhü	takhu	mesá	sú	sü	seu	süa
Tooth	vá	phá	taphá	uhu	háti	khiu	khiu	khiau	fan, khiau
Tree	pan	peh	sundóng	sí	popon	tun	tun	tón	tón
Village	ting	tying	ayim	arame	átigu	bán	mán	ban	ban
Water	ti	riang	atsü	zü	ji	nam	nam	nam	nam
Yam	...	...	...	...	...	...	man	hóaman	man dóm
I	ku	tau	ní	á	án	kau	kau	óng, ku	khá
Thou	nang	nang	nang	no	no, áni	mó	maü	tóa	tua, müng
He, she, it	mih	taupá	pau	me	bareni	heu	man	man, tan	khon, man
We	...	...	akau	áwe	járuraú	rau	hau	hau	rau
Ye	...	...	nikhala	notoleli	jákugroni	khau	maü sú	...	su
They	...	...	tungkhala	tothete	bário	khreu	man khau	...	khau ar ai
Mine	kukuhe	tesei	ní	...	ányo	au	kau	...	...
Thine	...	...	nang	...	níyo	mó	maü	...	...
His	...	...	...	...	biyo	heu	man	...	...
One	áttá	chá	akhet	po	dugshá	ling	nüng	nüng	nüng

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Two	ányí	íh	anne	kane	dukuni	sang	song	song	song
Three	ázam	lem	asam	sü	dugdá	sam	sám	sám	sám
Four	álí	pilí	phalí	deh	duguchí	sí	sí	sí	sí
Five	ágá	ngá	phangá	pangu	dugumua	há	há	há	há
Six	árok	vok	tarók	sóru	duguchu	ruk	hók	hók	hók
Seven	ánath	nith	tani	thene	duguchi?	chit	tset	tset	chet
Eight	áchet	thath	sachet	thetha	duguche	pet	pet	pet	pét
Nine	aku	thu	tekü	thaku	duguchuba	kau	kaü	kaü	kau
Ten	ban	pan	tarah	kürr	duguchuba dugshe	sip	sip	sip	sip
Twenty	chá	...	makhi	makü	...	sau	sau	sáu nüng	yé sip
Thirty	...	...	samrá	sürr	...	sam sip	sám sip	sám sip	sám sip
Forty	panyí	...	lírah	lhide	...	si sip	sí sip	sí sip	sí sip
Fifty	...	...	tanam	ripangu	...	há sip	há sip	há sip	há sip
Hundred	pugá	...	rukrá	kre	...	pak	pák	hoi	roi
Of	...	...	(wanting)	...	...	(wanting)	(wanting)	...	thi
To	...	...	ná	...	...	...	hang, ti	...	ke
From	...	...	bine	...	...	...	luk	...	té
With	...	...	ashe	...	...	chum	...	...	duei
In	khá	sah	gü	kinu	chikimi	khau	kannü	nai	nai
On	...	...	tamüge	...	pichoni	nu	nau	neu	bón
Now	atha	cháha	hikü	akihawe	derereni	tinai	tsang, ngai	leng	reu, than chai
Then	...	...	jikü	lilitiha	deremai	tamnai	...	...	müa
When?	...	...	kuim	tadzune	dumoni	phreu nai	...	...	müa dai
To-day	anyí	tinyi	thani	teje	dinineni	banai	...	wanni	wan ní
To-morrow	nai ni	ngai ni	asang	thedu	disuini	sang manai	maphók	phuk	phrungní
Yesterday	manyi	manyi	hashi	koshe	dupuroni	poi	mangá	...	wa, wán
Here	...	...	nikó	haki	lohore	u, tinai	phe, thai	ní	ní
There	...	...	wadengü ojü	lithe	hobóng	tet	hanpun	...	thi nau
Where?	pau pu	tau wai	kuchi	kiraporú	boróng	hó	thaü	tinai	thi nai
Above	ding	kawang	tamachingu	bale	picho	nu	kalu	pin	bón
Below	hópang	opang	tamóksing	chakise	kumo	lep	...	lum	tí
Between	...	...	tiong	...	...	klang	...	...	wang
Without	...	...	takigü	kite	bajüni	bí	...	...	thi nok
Within	...	...	tisinge	kinu	chikimi	khauju	tinaü	...	thinai
Far	atai	kátike	uragu	chawé	asain	jau, sai	kai	kaí	kli

English.	*Míthan Nágá.*	*Tablung Nágá.*	*Khari Nágá.*	*Angami Nágá.*	*Deoria chutia.*	*Ahom.*	*Khamti.*	*Laos.*	*Siamese.*
Near	hole	ótike	anhagu	chaguno	butugain	klai	kaü	kai	klai
Little	ohipia	echinghá	ichadango	katuno	poiani	chut	lek, kye	...	leknoi
Much	taihu	eselai	kwalangau	kyapür	poini	rá	nam	nak, lái	lai, bundá
How much?	...	...	kuia	kichuru	amcha	...	...	kilam	ki lem
Thus	...	...	itangó	tsawe	lakireni	plai	nang nai	...	yangnan, chen
How?	...	...	kotisaü	nokidihika	dakang	...	...	...	thau, phrá het
Why?	...	...	chibatsawi	kaji	damno	wá	...	...	phrá aurai
Yes	vai	aiya	hau	e	hoi	khewo	tsaü	tsai, nem	khá
No	mantai	mang cha	nongó	mowe	hóya	bukhewo	ma tsaü	bo tsai	míchi
Not	...	...	tá	...	dá	bu, ma	le, tak	bo, mai, yá	mí, yá
And	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	le	le, kap, tak
This	hi ha	thoi nan	pio	hawe	taihoni	iu	an nai	ní	ni
That	hi ha	thoi theo	poicho chu	liwe	bare	heu	an nan	nan	nan
Which?	...	...	kubai	kiuru	boroshini	panku	an naü	...	khondai
What?	tem	toí nan	chabaü	kaje-	damdarini	re	sang	sang	arai
Who?	oveh	owai	sui	soru	basani	phreu	phaü	khai, phai	khrai, süng
Any thing	...	...	kuiai	kajipuru	damasirini	...	...	asang	arai
Any body	...	...	koi mürh	chakra paru	shámádu	pheu	kan phong	...	...
Eat	sá há	háchi	tsaung	chiliche	harini	kin	kin	kin	kin
Drink	singhá	yang ying shi	atsióng	dzü kretowe	jinime	kleu	kin nam	kin nam	deum
Sleep	jipdau	chunshi	ipigili	zü	yumg arini	non	non, nap	non, lap	lap
Wake	...	...	sishaugó	sirte	harnamani	teng	tün	tün	tün
Laugh	nile	nichi	manitli	nu	hatukari	khru	khó	hán, khóa	hóaro
Weep	saple	saptike	chipli	krá	ugarini	hai	hai	hai	rong hai
Be silent	...	...	tukurá	chasibale	turucha	supmu	yú tsip tsip	dak dak yú	ning yú
Speak	káh	táh	aihushang	pusiche	icharini	bok	wá	pak	phut
Come	ráhai	ongkoi	hinnerang	akiphirche	nangkwá	má	má	má	má
Go	tóng	angsi	wá	totache	ákená	ká	ká	pai, men	pai
Stand up	ajóng	yong chi	hunligili	thale	tákarini	tí	sau	song	yün
Sit down	ngó dau	um chi	manio	bache	dudurini	nang	nang	nang	nang
Walk	tóng, khá	angsi	róng chwa	tothe	kerurini	ká	pai	men	dün
Run	rikle	phal chi	semekwa	mhathele	jononini	paikhan	len	len pai	wing pi
Give	láhai	yakhu	khiugó	süwawe	larini	heu	haü	hü	hai
Take	paule	yakei	hiraugó	khriliwe	lario	au	au	au	au, nap
Strike	maithun	set chi	yakchau	vashuwe	borini	dá, po	po	tí, bup	tí, boe

English.	*Mithan Nágá.*	*Tablung Nágá.*	*Khari Nágá.*	*Angami Nágá.*	*Deoria chutia.*	*Ahom.*	*Khamti.*	*Laos.*	*Siamese.*
Kill	langdau	toi.chi	yaksitógó	dukhiawe	botechiro	potai	au tai	khá	khá; au tai
Bring	láhai	yakei	heneratli	seyawe	larini	ánmá	au má	aumá	au má
Take away	pai pau	noh si	heneraugó	satele	laromni	sung	sóng	sóng, thü	thü
Lift up	laukó	noh si	chungótsó	tupele	lagaromni	yok, tang	yó, yóng	yá	yók
Hear	athak	chai ha	jaugó	silowe	kanatori	nyin	ngin	nyin	dai yin
Understand	avan	tau singpu	metechau	siwe	takarini	hú	hú, thom	rü, hü	rú
Tell	...	...	...	...	...	bok	wa	wá	bok wá
Good	maile	mailunke	aró	viwe	churini	dí	ní	dí	dí
Bad	manmai	yemei	maró	sowe	chani	khyá	maní	hái, bodí	chua, mai dí
Cold	ráng kham	wang sam	aiyang	sí	chepepe	khye, náu	yen	náu, yen	yen, náu
Hot	kham	shem	tetsá	khakwu	kaini	ran, lut	hon, mai, lüt	hon	ron
Raw (green)	...	...	tachim	memo	pijo	lip	nip	dip	dip
Ripe	jum	yim	tenhing	me	munom	rung, suk	súk	súk	súk
Sweet	tí	urang	miang	che	jiri	oi	wán	wán	wán
Sour	shí	sí	tehsan	khye	sitotoi	sum	sóm	sóm	sóm, preo
Bitter	khá	khá	khá	chási	kai	khum	khóm	khóm	khóm
Handsome	...	...	kubaitaró	visu	ichubare	khyeng	ngám	ngáin	ngám
Ugly	...	...	maró	shopur	üchini	khye plá	háng hai	hai	rái
Straight	...	...	mathunjau	thekhá	pune	ú	nan	...	trong, sü
Crooked	kom	kom	tikihang	krewi	kekurai	ke, ngok	ngok	kom, kót	ngo
Black	nak	niak	nak	kati	sakokoi	dam	nam	dam, nin	dam
White	thoh	heng	mesing	kacha	puri	phók	kháu, phük	kháu, pheuk	kháu
Red	...	...	tamüram	mrí	saru	deng	neng	deng, kam	deng
Green	...	...	shim puluk	kapaje	pijoni	kyí	khyeu	kheau	kheau
Long	ló	lau	tilhaun	josü	lui	lej au	yáu	yáu	yáu
Short	mau	soh	tütsizau	jü	sutugai	lot	lot	san, hun	san
Tall (high)	chóak	tau	oregu	karkhre	suini	sung	sung	sung	súng
Short (low)	...	...	orejute	khar uo	patigaini	tam	tam	tam	tam bóa
Small	ahipia[nau	sui	minghaji	kanachapo	suru surcni	noi	lek, on	lek, noi	lek noi
Great	achung,	yong nong	tahpetiau	jopür	am chá dini	lóng	lung, yaü	luang, yai	luang, yai
Round	...	...	meketang	khruhi	tumóru	klóm, pán	món	kóm	klóm
Fat	chóng	nittan	tabiti	pomoja	mejirini	pí	pí	pí, tui	sai, man
Thin (lean)	...	...	achi	soponoru	dugumjini	heng	yom	...	mai man

SECTION V.

ON THE

ABORIGINES OF THE EASTERN FRONTIER.

In continuation of my papers already submitted to the Society having in view to exhibit summarily the affinities of all the aborigines of India, I now submit vocabularies, uniform with their precursors, of the written and spoken Burman, the Singpho, the Nágá in three dialects, the Abor and the Miri tongues.

For this series I am indebted to the Rev. N. Brown, of Sibságor, who, in forwarding it to me, favoured me with the following remarks:—

"These specimens appear fully to establish the fact that the *Burman, Singpho, Nágá,* and *Abor* languages are very close relatives, and ought not to be separated into different families, as they sometimes have been. The Burman and Singpho, it is true, have been regarded as nearly related; but I am not aware of its ever having been supposed that the Nágá or Abor were closely related to the Burman, or that there was any very intimate connection between the two. The Nágá tribes are very numerous, and every village appears to have its own dialect.

"I have not inserted the Khámti or Shyán, because I am not convinced that there is any very close radical connection between either and the Burmese. This affinity seems always to have been taken for granted as a matter of course, but without any just ground. It is true there are a considerable number of Burman words in the Khámti, but they bear the

marks of recent introduction, and are not to be found in the old Ahóm, the parent Shyán, nor in the Siamese, with which the Ahóm was nearly, if not exactly, identical. I have inserted the Burmese as *written*, together with the spoken *form*. The Mags of Arakán, it is said, pronounce it *as it is written*, and not like the Burmese. It appears to resemble the Tibetan considerably. The first column of Abor Miri I have collected from a vocabulary published a year or two ago by Captain E. F. Smith (of the Bengal Native Infantry), commanding at Sadiya; the last column I got from a Miri residing at this place.

"In Burman I have used *th* to express the sound of *th* in *think*. Also a stroke under the initial letter of a syllable to denote the falling tone, and a dot under the final vowel to denote the short, abrupt tone. The Singpho and Namsang Nágá are taken from a vocabulary published several years ago by the Rev. M. Bronson, and may be depended on as correct. The other two Nágá dialects are given by two men from villages near Nowgong—the only Nágás I can find in the station just now; and as they do not understand Asamese very well, I may have introduced some errors from them. At all events, the words are evidently encumbered with affixes and prefixes that do not properly belong here. I have not, however, ventured to remove any of them, as you will be better able to do this. I am inclined to think that the radical forms in all these languages are monosyllabic, as the Burmese unquestionably is. The verbs, &c., would probably show a much greater resemblance if we had all the terms for each idea, as there will generally be many verbs nearly synonymous; consequently the lists do not always exhibit the corresponding forms, thus creating an apparent difference when there is none in reality."

As it is not my purpose to anticipate the results of the present inquiry, I will add nothing on this occasion to the above obliging and sensible remarks of Mr. Brown.

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Air	lé	lé	mbung	póng	mabung	mapung	asar	esár
Ant	parwakchhit	payuetseik	gagin	tsipchák	machá	matháu	mirang	meráng
Arrow	*mrá*	*myá*	pelá	látchan	lasang	lasan	epuk	epug
Bird	nghak	nghet	wu	vó	üzz	usó	pettang	pátáng
Blood	*swé*	*thwé*	sai	hé	azŭ	ái	yilpi ui	iye
Boat	lhé	lhé	lí	khuonkhó	surung	lung	ellóng	óllungá
Bone	aró	ayó	nráng	áráh	terap	telet	álong	álong
Buffalo	kwye	kyue	ngá	lé	chang	tyang	menjek	menjeg
Cat	krong	kyaung	ningyau	míang	tanü	meyau	mendari	menkuri
Cow	*nwá*	*nuá*	kansú	mán	nasi	másí	gúrúshameh	góru
Crow	*kyí*	*kyí*	kokhá	vakhá	waru	walo	piák	püag
Day	né	né	ningthói	rangyí	...	tünglú	longeh	longko
Dog	*khwé*	*khwé*	guí	hú	azz	arh	ekí	iki
Ear	*ná*	*ná*	ná	ná	tenaung	telánnu	norong	yerung
Earth	mré	myé	nggá	hà	áli	áli	ámong	ámong
Egg	u	u	údi	atí	antsü	utü	ápíu	apü
Elephant	chhang	s'hen	magui	puok	shití	sutí	sita	site
Eye	myakchi	myetsi	mi	mit	tenok	tenyik	ámik	amik
Father	phaé	phá-é	wá	vá	upá	apu	yiai	bábá
Fire	*mí*	*mí*	wan	van	mí	masi	eme	umme
Fish	*ngá*	*ngá*	nga	ngá	angu	angu	engo	orgo
Flower	*pan*	*pán*	siban	chóngpó	naru	nolong	ápun	ápun
Foot	khré	khyé	lagóng	dá	tatsüng	taching	ále	ále
Goat	chhit	s'heik	bainam	kien	nabung	nabung	shuben	ságoli
Hair	chhanbang	s'haben	karú	kachó	kó	ku	dumit	dumed
Hand	lak	let	lettá	dak	tekhá	tekhát	álák	elág
Head	*khong*	*ghaung*	bóng	khó	takolák	teko	tuku, mittuk	mittub
Hog	wak	wet	wá	vak	ák	ák	yúek	eyeg
Horn	khyo	ghyó	rung	róng	tazzü	tái	áreng	áreng
Horse	mrang	myen	gumrang	mók	kórr	kuri	góre	gure
House	im	eing	ntá	hum	kí	kí	ekum	ekum
Iron	san	*thán*	mpri	jan	yin	yen	yagurah	yogir

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Leaf	rwak	yuet	láp	nyáp	ám	ám	annó	ekamane
Light	*l*ang	*l*en	ningthói	rangvó	tsángurh	sangagho	piuáng	püáda
Man	lú	lú	singpho	minyán	nyesung	mésung	amie	ámme
Monkey	myok	myauk	woé	véh	snitsü	suchí	sibeh	shibe
Moon	la	lá	sitá	dá	yitá	lutá	paló	polo
Mother	ami	ami	nú	ingyóng	uchá	ápü	namu	náná
Mountain	tong	taung	bum	hąhó	min áram	masan	ádí	ádi
Mouth	nhup	nhók	ninggup	tun	tepang	tabáng	napang	napüng
Mosquito	khyang	khyen	tsigrong	mang dóng	merila	anjang	songgóu	tamig
Name	amí*n*	amí	míng	min	tenung	tenying	ámin	ámin
Night	nyí*n*, 'nya	nyin, nyá	siná	rangpan	aunu	úsangdi	kamogah	kammo
Oil	achhí	s'hí	nam án	tánthí	tótsü	mángá	tuláng	tuláng
Plantain	nghakpyo	nghetpyo	lungu	kieke	samum	mongo	kópagü	kopage
River	mrach	myit	khá	jóan	tsülátsü	tülá	asie	abunge
Road	*l*am	*l*án	lám	lam	lemang	unglan	lambeü	lámte
Salt	*ch*há	*s'*há	jum	sum	matsü	machi	álu	állo
Skin	*sá*ré	*th*áyé	phi	ákhuon	takap	takap	dumóer	asüg
Sky	*mó*gh	*mó*	mu	rángtung	mabat	phumching	teong	domür
Snake	mrwé	myué	lapú	pú	pürr	phalü	...	tábbe
Star	kre	kye	sigan	mérik	pitinu	lutingting	tákár	tákár
Stone	kyok	kyauk	nlung	lóng	lungzük	lungmanggo	iling	ilüng
Sun	né	né	ján	sán	ánnü	tìnglü	dunié	doanye
Tiger	*kyá*	*kyá*	*siróng*	*sá*	*kayi*	*khü*	*simiü*	sümyo
Tooth	swá	*th*wá	wá	pá	tabu	taphu	ípáng	áie
Tree	apang	apen	phun	bang	santung	sangtung	esing	ising
Village	rwá	yuá	mereng	há	yüm	yam	dulong	dolüng
Water	ré	yé	ntsin	jó	tsü	tü	ássí	áche
Yam	myok	myauk	nai	hákhuon	shi	chu	ngunü	álie
I	ngá	ngá	ngai	ngá	nyí	ngai	ngo	ngo
Thou	nang, mang	nen, men	náng, ní	nangmá	ná	nang	nóna	no
He	sú	*th*ú	khí	até	pá	pá	bü	bu
She	ditto	ditto	...	...	pá	pá	no	...

It	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
We	ngátó	ngadó	í	nímá	annok	akhala	ngolu	ngosin
Ye	nangtó	nendó	nítheng	némá	nákara	nakhala	nolu	nolüsin
They	sútó	*th*údó	khíní	sening	yau	tebepá	bülu	üllü bülu
Mine	ngái	ngái	ngéná	ngá	ka	ngaichi	ngoke	ngokke
Thine	mangi	meni	náná	má	ná	mechi	nókke	nokke
His	súi	*th*úi	khíná	até	pá	páchi	bükke	bükke
Ours	ngátói	ngadói	...	...	ásan	akhali	...	ngolükke
Yours	mangtói	mendói	...	...	nü	nakhalá	...	nolükke
Theirs	sútói	*th*údói	...	...	pári	páli	bulüke	bülükke
One	tach	tit, ta	aimá	vánthé	katang	khatu	ako	átero
Two	nhach	nhit	nkhong	ványí	anna	ánnat	aniko	ngoye
Three	sung	*th*óng	masúm	vánram	ásam	ásám	aomko	auma
Four	*ló*	*ló*	melí	belí	pazr	phále	apiko	ápie
Five	*ng*á	*ng*á	mangá	bangá	pungu	phungu	pilingoko	üngo
Six	khyok	khyauk	krú	írók	tarok	thelok	akeko	ákünge
Seven	khwan nhach	khunnhit	sinit	íngit	tanet	thanyet	kunítko	künnide
Eight	rhach	shyit	matsat	ísat	te	thesep	punitko	pinge
Nine	*kó*	*kó*	tsekhú	íkhu	taku	thaku	konangko	konánge
Ten	chhe	s'he	sí	íchi	tarr	thelu	üingko	üyinge
Twenty	nhachchhe	nhits'he	khúm	ruakngi	matsü	machi	irlingko	üying ányiko
Thirty	sungchhe	*th*óngzhe	tumsí	ruakram	...	machi lithelu	üing aomko	üying aumko
Forty	*lé*chhe	*lé*zhe	mlísí	ruakbelí	liri	mesung annat	üing apie	üying apiko
Fifty	*ng*áchhe	*ng*ázhe	mangásí	ruakbangá	thanam	mésung annat té thelu	...	üngo üyingko
Hundred	tará	tayá	latsá	cháthe	rokrü	mésung phungu	...	üying üyingko
Of	i (affix)	i	na (affix)	wanting	...	...	met	...
To	*á*	*á*	fe	nang	tang	nai	telópu	lope
From	ka	ga	...	...	...	...	odánkáng	lokke
By	phrang	phyen	..	...	wá	nü	umnus	appünge
With	nhang	nhen	...	...	yasü	süga	...	logolo
Without	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
In	nhaik	nhaik	kátái	hum nyu	lóng	atap	áráng	árálo
On	pomhá	bomhá	lethá	ákhónang	talak	tathak	teó só	talülo
Now	yakhu	yakhu	yá	dókko	tang	thong	supáb	su
Then	thó akhá	thó akhá	...	...	tas au	kabáng	...	kojo

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When?	bhesokhá	bhe*th*okhá	yango	matu suanta	kódang	kápá	...	üdilo
To-day	yané	yané	daíní	tajá	tannu	thanglu	silo	silo
To-morrow	nakphan	netphán	mphóní	ninap	asóng	ásang	iámpo	yampo
Yesterday	yamanné	yamanné	maní	majá	yashí	ósí	milo	melobo
Here	símhá	*th*ímhá	náde	anang	yóng	iga	sho	so
There	hómhá	hómhá	tode	dinang	aunchi	ótiga	...	ülo
Where?	bhemhá	bhemhá	gadégui	makóa	kóng	ótiga	ungkolo	okolon
Above	apo mhá	apo mhá	ning tsang	ákhónang	talak	tathak	taleng	talüto
Below	okmhá	aukmhá	katái	akhannang	tasung	tachung	rumking	rümkübe
Between	a*kr*ámhá	a*ky*ámhá	...	...	kimá	ulam	radang	áráso
Without	prángmhá	pyenmhá	...	vákánang	tamá	má	lulo	rongongolo
Within	atwang	atwen	...	...	talóng	atap	áráso	áráso
Far	*wé*	*wé*	tsán	háló	talang	lánglá	...	modo
Near	*ní*	*ní*	ní	therkó	tatsaka	annanglá	aninda	ánünse
Little	chhitkha*lé*	seikkha*lé*	katsí	achá	ishika	tesu	...	ájoda
Much	*myá*	*myá*	lo	ájá	ayüka	tebe	...	ábako
How much?	bhelok	bhelauk	gadémá	chento	kayüka	katekat	eritko	üdüko
As	kesó	ge*th*ó	...	...	...	...	...	...
So	ló, só	ló, *thó*	...	...	...	...	depü, au	sempidang
Thus	thósó	th*óth*ó	ndaisat	árarang	ányakáng	atti	pua	ümpe
How?	bhesó	bhe*th*ó	...	...	kótau	katikiang	káppida	kapü
Why?	bhepruló	bhepyuló	fári	rétó	kashia	kadó	okkiduna	kappü
Yes	hótkhe	hókhe	raia	idanga	au	ho	iü	ü
No	mahut	mahók	galai	má	mau, nonga	nongo	mámá	má
No, not	ma(pru)nhang	ma(pyu)nhen	ng, phung	nak	(tók) n' (shi)	(tha) m' (thi)	ioka	yoka
And, also	lí*n k*ong	*l*igaung	...	...	...	...	aiu	...
Or	sómahut	*th*ómahók	...	...	...	...	...	...
This	í, si*n*	í, *thí*	ndai	ára	yáe	igáká	sí, issi	shidebulu
That	thó, hó	thó, hó	orawá	írapá	aunchika	óchika	iüna	üllübullu
Which?	abhe	abhe	gadénuá	mapá	yákung	kachi	ing kóno	okolone
What?	abhe	abhe, bhá	phakaimá	chená	kachisür	chaba	ingkua, ong / kokko	okko

Who?	bhesú	bhe*th*ú	gadaimá	haná	sirau	sinó	sekó	seko
Anything	bhembya	bhámbya	...	...	...	...	anjoko	okko
Anybody	bhesúmbya	bhe*th*úmbya	...	...	...	...	...	sekodi
Eat	*chá*	*sá*	sháu	cháo	chijóng	tyu	dol anka	dolangka
Drink	sok	*th*auk	luụ	jóko	chajamti	tünun	taipü	tüpu
Sleep	ip	eik	yúpu	júpo	annanü	annü	iddo	yüm
Wake	*nó*	*nó*	dúmu	chingo	ulà	phayá	emü aipü	dárdoku
Laugh	re	ye	maníu	ngío	mannü	mannü	nilodopü	yírda
Weep	ngó	ngó	khrápu	sapo	áchaprr	chappale	kappü	kapda
Be silent	titchhit né	teiksheik né	temdingau	...	manakazong	ayok sulang	ásopü	ásopa
Speak	pro, chhó	pyo, s'hó	súu	thóo	shang	suang	lüpü	saluto
Come	lá, rok	lá, yauk	sáu	káro	arung	ahalü	giküpü	kápü
Go	swá, kwya	*th*wá, kyuạ́	wán	káo	tsu, wang	chennang	gupügikangka	sá
Stand up	tha, mat	thạ́, mát	tsapu / rotu	chapo	nótak	septak	dangküpü	dárup
Sit down	thaing	thaing	dúngu	tóngo	manákarü	mannang	dúpü	dutoka
Move, walk	*le*, kwya	*le*, kyuạ́	thotu, damu	chóo, khuams	asámataur	asambat	iokoda	gümaudak
Run	pré	pyé	gagátu	chuano	sámawaung	á ásambat	dukpü	dupdandak
Give	pékhya	pé khyạ́	yáu	kóo	kwáng	khalang	bípü	sopá
Take	yú	yú	láu	kapo	niagirr / ánno	chiokko	lápü	láto
Strike	raik, put	yaik, pók	dúpu	váto	tatsungr / tatapsap	taphetokó	pápü	düto
Kill	sat	*th*át	satu	rikváto	ásoko	áseko / síyang	pápu	dingketo
Bring	yúkhe	yúghe	láu	vanro	ányaung	khaluang	bombípu	bomkuka
Take away	yú*s*wá	yú*th*wá	láu wáu	kapkáto	penruang	cheba chenang	bomkang	bomkang
Lift up	mhrang, mhrok	mhyen, mhyauk	phónu	tuons	achóngatóng	aiyóang	lássápü	jowon
Hear	*krá*	*kyá*	nángu	táto	ááshu	ángáng	tadkapü	táttoka
Understand	*lin*, si	le, *th*i	chóiu	íjáto	matürrmá	nyangmang	ken	kintoka
Tell	chhó, *krá*	s'hó *kyá*	súu	ngáo	shiang	suang	lüpü	lubida
Good	*k*ong	*k*aung	gajá	asan	tatsóng	chóngkolo	aidu	aida
Bad	*ch*hó	s'hó	ngaiá	achí	matsóng	machóng	aimang	aima
Cold	khyam, é	khyán, é	katsí	akị	káásütá	áchikale	ansinge	ansinge / sikkire

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Hot	pú	pú	káthet	akhám	tatsok	lamme	gudórong	gunáme
Raw	chim	seing	ketsing	áhing	mátók / tazzu	tái	...	leda
Ripe	mhin, rang	mhe, yen	min	áchúm	táman	táman	mindó	minda
Sweet	khyó	khyó	dúi	átú	tánang	tánang	tídó	tídák
Sour	khyin	khyin	khrí	ási	tásan	senla	kune	kudák
Bitter	khá	khá	khá	akhá	paklá	paklá	kónam	kodák
Handsome	lha	lhá	jásói	asaná	kángatsóng	chongthang	kampodó	kángkáne
Ugly	arup-chhó	ayókshó	samnáng	pangtsí	matsóng	machóng	...	aimang
Straight	phrong	phy aung	preng	áting	tumutum	matungkolo	pundu	guyokdák
Crooked	kok	kauk	mágo	akuang	tikrak	kóikolo	muwut, gadó	gudák
Black	nak	net	cháng	anyak	tanak	nyakla	yákár	yákádák
White	phrú	phyú	phróng	apó	tamasóng	masang	asidó	kámpodák
Red	ní	ní	khyeng	achak	maram	malamla	yalung	lüdák
Green	chim	seing	ketsing	ahing	tacham	tacham	...	gedák
Long	rhin	shé	gálú	áló	talang	lángkolo	bàddoló	aiárdák
Short	tó	tó	kutún	atóon	tatsü	ánanglá	adedi	ándüdák
Tall	mrang	myen	tsode	achuong	talángka	lánglá	...	aiárdák
Short	nim	neing	kutún	amienpa	tatsü	ánanglá	adedi	ándüdák
Small	nge	nge	katsí	áring	tilala	tesu	angidó	ámedák
Great	krí	kyí	gubá	adóng	talulu	tapé	bóte	áttadák
Round	lun	lóng	dindin	átúm	tarang	litükpu	...	átumdák
Square	léthong	lédhaung	...	...	tangakáku	tangik	...	...
Flat	pyá	pyá	ram	tode	matam	madamka	neing sudó	omandák
Fat	wa, tup	wá, tók	phúm	atat	tabók	tabók	udó	juiname
Thin	lhyá	shyá	lasí	achá	apoprr	apo	...	gídák
Weariness	mo, pangban	mo, penbán	bàhá	bóan	ányokó	ngüchaho	...	amírse / molámak
Thirst	ré ngat	ye ngát	pháng gerá	khamlán	tukula / seratür	chebalé / chuale	tuling	tülüng
Hunger	chhá ngat	sángát	kosíu	ramrío	yatür	chulale	kinong	konóng

SECTION VI.

ON THE INDO-CHINESE BORDERERS

AND THEIR CONNECTION WITH

THE HIMÁLAYANS AND TIBETANS.

To the Secretary of the Asiatic Society.

SIR,—In further prosecution of my purpose of recording in the pages of our Journal a complete set of comparative vocabularies on an uniform plan, I have now the honour to transmit to you two fresh series, one for Arrakan, and the other for the Tenasserim provinces. The first comprises six tongues, viz., the Burmese, the Khyeng, the Kámi, the Kúmi, the Mrú, and the Sák; the second five, viz., the Burmese, the Talien, the Túng-lhú, the Shán, and the Siamese.

It is needless, I presume, to apologise for thus recording provincial dialects of well-known languages such as the Burmese and Siamese, because such deviations of a known kind afford inestimable means of testing those which are unknown, and of thus approximating to a just appreciation of the interminable varieties of speech that characterise the enormously-extended family of the Mongolidæ.

I am indebted for these vocabularies to Captain Phayre, whose name is a warrant for their authenticity, and who has kindly added to their value by the subjoined explanatory note upon the Arrakan tribes. On those of the Tenasserim provinces the only elucidatory addition is the important one that the Túng-lhú are "Hillmen," that is, dislocated aborigines driven to the wilds, or, in other words, broken and dispersed

tribes, like the Khyeng, and Kámi, and Kúmi, and Mrú, and Sák of Arrakan, whose vocables constitute the greatest part of the first half of the vocabularies herewith forwarded.

In the course of recording in our Journal these numerous vocabularies, I have purposely avoided any remarks on the affinities they suggest or demonstrate, intending to take up that subject when they should be completed; but the high interest * excited by my Himálayan series, in connection with the bold and skilful researches which are now demonstrating the unparalleled diffusion over the earth of that branch of the human family to which the Himálayans belong, has induced me on the present occasion to deviate partially from that rule, and to at once compare Captain Phayre's Arrakanese vocables with my own Himálayan † and Tibetan ones. Having been so fortunate as lately to procure an ample Sifánese series, comprising the tongues of the several peoples bordering on China and Tibet between Konkonúr and Yúnán, and having, moreover, made some progress in a careful analysis of a normal and of an abnormal sample of the Himálayan tongues, with a view to determining the amounts of the Turánian and Arian elements, I shall ere long find occasion to recur to the general affinities of the Indian Mongolidæ. In the meanwhile, the subjoined comparison of several Arrakanese tongues with those of Tibet and of the Eastern Himálaya will be read with surprise and pleasure by many who, accustomed to regard the Himálayans as Hindus, and the Indo-Chinese, like the Chinese, as distinct from the people of Asie Centrale, and from the Tibetans, will be astonished to find one type of language prevailing from the Káli to the Koladân, and from Ladakh to Malacca, so as to bring the Himálayans, Indo-Chinese, and Tibetans into the same family.

That such, however, even in the rigid ethnological sense, is the fact will hardly be denied by him who carefully examines the subjoined table, or the documents from which it is taken, because not only are the roots of the nouns and verbs similar

* Latham's History of Man and Ethnology of British Colonies.

† My own Himálayan series will be found in the Journal, No. 185, for December 1847. The Arrakanese series is annexed hereto.

to identity, but the servile particles are so likewise, and that as well in themselves as in the uses made of them, and in the mutations * to which they are liable. It should be added that the resemblances cited are drawn not from "ransacked dictionaries," but from vocabularies of less than 300 words for each tongue.

To those who, not content with this abstract, shall refer to the original documents, I may offer two remarks suggested by their study to myself. 1st. The extraordinary extent to which the presently contemplated affinities hold good has been made out by the helps afforded by the series of cognate tongues, whereby the synonyma defective in one tongue are obtained from another, whilst the varying degrees and shades of deviation are a clue to the root or basis.† 2d. The other remark suggested by the comparison of the vocabularies is, that it is the nouns and verbs, and *not* the pronouns and numerals, which constitute the enduring part of these languages; and that consequently, whatever may be the case in regard to the Arian group of tongues, we must not always expect to find the best evidence of family connection in regard to the Turanian languages among the pronouns and numerals. Indeed the confused character of these parts of speech seems to be a conspicuous feature of the Mongolian tongues.

Comparison of Tibetan and Himálayan tongues on one hand, and of the Indo-Chinese on the other.

Blood.—Thak in Bhotia, Thyak in Lhópa, Vi in Lepcha.‡
Thwé in Burmese, Thé in Sák, Ka-thí in Khyeng, A-ti in Kámi, Wi in Mrú.

Boat.—Thú in Sérpa.
Thé in Burmese.

* In order to appreciate this remark and to trace the elements of the vocables, see analytic observations of the following paper on Caucasian and Mongolian Words, appended to the list of those words.

† Take the radical word for dog, as a sample. We have khyi, khíá, khí, kí, khwé, kwé, kwí, kú, kí-chá, kú-chú, khó, kyó, cho-i. For the appended particles and their mutations I must refer to the original documents, and to the future confirmations to be supplied by my Sifánese series of words.

‡ The first line gives the Northern series, the second the Southern.

Cat.—Si-mi in Bhotia, Si-mi in Sokpa.
Min in Khyeng, Min in Kámi.

Crow.—O'-la in Lhópa, A'-wá in Limbu.
O'-á in Kúmi, Wá á in Kámi and in Mrú.

Day.—Nyi-ma in Bhotia, Nhí in Newári, Nyim in Lhópa.
Né in Burmese, Ni in Mrú.

Dog.—Khyi in Bhotia, Khi in Lhópa, Kú-chú in Kiránti, Ki-cha in Newári, Khia in Dhimali.
Khwé in Burmese, Ta-kwi in Mrú, Kú in Sák.

Ear.—Ná in Bhotia, Na-vo in Lhópa.
Ná in Burmese, Ka-ná in Sák.

Eye.—Mig in Bhotia, A-mik in Lepcha, Mó in Múrmi and Gúrúng.
Myé-tsi in Burmese, A-mi in Kámi and Sák, Min in Mrú.

Father.—Phá in Bhotia, Amba in Limbú.
Phá é in Burmese, Ampa in Kúmi.

Fire.—Mé or Mi in Bhotia, and in all Himálayan tongues.
Mí, Má, Má i, in Burmese, Kámi, and Mrú.

Fish.—Nyá in Bhotia, Ngyá in Lhópa, Ngó in Lepcha, Nyau in Súnwár.
Ngá in Burmese, Ngú in Khyeng, Nghó in Kámi.

Foot.—Káng in Bhotia, Káng in Lhópa, Khwe-li in Súnwár.
Khyé in Burmese, Ká-kó in Khyeng, Khou in Kúmi.

Goat.—Rá in Bhotia.
Ta-rá in Mrú.

Hair.—A-chóm in Lepcha, Chúm in Magar.
A-shám in Kámi, Shám in Mrú and Kúmi.

Head.—Gó in Bhotia.
Ghóng in Burmese.

Hog.—Phak in Bhotia and Lhópa and Kiránti, Wak in Magar.
Ta-pak in Mrú and Vak in Sák.

Horn.—Ar-kyok in Sérpa, A-róng in Lepcha.
A kyi in Khyeng, A-rúng in Sák.

Horse.—Tá in Bhotia and Lhópa, Sa la in Newári.
Tá-phú (phú, male suffix) in Kámi, Sapú in Sák (púidem).

House.—Khyim in Bhotia and Lepcha. Yúm in Magar.
Kyim in Sák, Kim in Mrú, Um in Kúmi.

Man.—Mi in Bhotia and most Himálayan tongues, Maro in Lepcha, Múrú in Súnwár.

Ka-mi in Kámi, Mrú in Mrú dialect.

(Ka-mi in Newári means craftsman.)

Moon.—Lá-va in Bhotia, Lhópa, Lepcha, &c., &c.

Lá in Burmese and Khyeng, Pú-lá in Mrú.

Mountain.—Gún in Newári.

Ta-kún in Kámi.

Name.—Ming in Bhotia and Lhópa and Limbú and Múrmi, Náng in Newári.

A-mí in Burmese, A-mín in Kámi, Na-mí in Khyeng.

Night.—Sa-náp in Lepcha.

Nyá in Burmese.

Oil.—Si-di in Magar.

Shi in Burmese and Kámi and Mrú, Si-dak in Sák.

Road.—Lam in Bhotia, and all the Himálayan tongues.

Lam in Burmese, Khyeng, Kámi, and Sák.

Salt.—Tshá in Bhotia and Lhôpa, Chhá in Himálayan tongues (most) Súng in Bódó.*

Shá in Burmese, Tsi in Khyeng, Súng in Sák.

Skin.—Pá-kó in Lhópa, Dhi in Gúrúng, Di in Múrmi.

Pé in Kúmi, Pi in Mrú.

Sky.—Mú in Múrmi, Mún in Gúrúng.

Mú in Mrú, Mó in Burmese.

Snake.—Búl in Magar, Bú-sa in Súnwár.

Phúl in Khyeng, Pú-vi in Kúmi.

Stone.—Lóng in Lepcha, Lúng in Limbú, Lhúng in Magar.

Lún in Khyeng, Ka-lún in Kámi, Ta-lún in Sák.

In the verbs, again, we have

Eat.—Sá in Lhópa, Zó, Só, in Bhotia, Ché in Limbú, Chó in Kiránti.

Sá in Burmese, Tsá in Kámi, Tsá in Kúmi.

Drink.—Thúng in Bhotia, Thóng in Lhópa, Thúng in Limbú and Múrmi, &c.

Thouk in Burmese.

* My Bódó and Dhimál vocabularies will be found in the Journal, as well as the Himálayan series. I take this occasion to intimate my now conviction that the Bódó, Dhimál, and Kócch tribes belong to the Tibetan and Himálayan stock rather than to the Tamilian; that is, with reference to India, to the more recent race of Tartar immigrants, not to the more ancient and more altered.

Sleep.—I'p in Súnwár, I'p in Limbú, Im in Kiránti.
I'p in Khyeng, I' in Kámi, I' in Kúmi.
Laugh.—Yé in Limbú, Nyé in Múrmi, Nhyú in Newári.
Yé in Burmese, A-nwi in Khyeng, Am-nhwi in Kúmi.
Weep.—Nú, ngó, in Bhotia, ngú in Lhópa and Sérpa, Khwó in Newári.
Ngó in Burmese, and Khá in Kámi.
Say, tell.—Shód in Bhotia.
Shó in Burmese.
Come.—Wá in Newári.
Vá in Kámi.
Go.—Lau in Súnwár.
Lá in Kámi and in Kúmi.
Sit down.—Det in Sérpa, Ngú-ná in Magar.
Tat in Kúmi, Ngún-gé in Khyeng.
Move, Walk.—Dyú in Lhópa.
Kyú in Burmese.
Run.—Chóng in Sérpa, Lóyá in Kíránti.
Chó-né in Khyeng, Lei in Kúmi.
Give.—Bin in Bhotia and Lhópa, Pí in Limbú, Pai in Kiránti, Pen in Gúrúng.
Pé in Burmese, Pé gé in Khyeng, Pei in Kúmi.
(Ná pú in Kami = Náng in Bhotia, asks for self.)
Take.—Yá in Bhotia, Lyo in Lepcha, Lé in Limbú.
Yú in Burmese, Lá in Kámi, Ló in Kúmi.
Kill.—Thód in Gúrúng, That in Bódó.
That in Burmese.
Hear, attend.—Nyen in Bhotia and Lhópa and Lepcha, Nyo in Newári.
Né in Khyeng, Ka-ná-i in Kámi.

Remark, the materials for the above striking comparative view are derived from my own original vocabularies for the Northern tongues, as published in the Journal, No. 185, for December 1847, and from Captain Phayre's for the Southern tongues, hereto appended.

It is seldom that vocabularies so trustworthy can be had, and had in series, for comparison; and yet it is abundantly

demonstrable that everything in regard to the discovery of the larger ethnic affinities of dispersed races depends upon such a presentation of these materials, the distinction of roots and of servile particles, as well as the range of synonymous variation, in each of these classes of words, being thus only testable, and these points being all important as diagnostics, even more so than grammatical peculiarities which, at least in our sense, are apt to be excessively vague, or else palpably borrowed, among the Mongolidæ. Syntactic poverty and crudity and etymological refinement and abundance seem to be the characteristics of this vast group of tongues, and hence the importance of its vocables and the necessity of obtaining them in a state accurate enough for analysis, and copious enough to embrace the average range of synonyms.

A common stock of primitive roots and of serviles, similarly employed, indicates unmistakably a common lineage and origin among the several races to which such stock belongs; preference for this or that synonym among the radicals, as well as various degrees and modes in the employment of serviles, whether prefixed, infixed, or postfixed, indicates as unmistakably the several branches from the same family stem with the relative ages and distances of their segregation. By the above comparison of vocabularies I purpose to illustrate the common lineage of tribes now and for ages most widely dispersed, and of which the intimate relationship is ordinarily overlooked; by a subsequent and more detailed examination somewhat differently conducted, I will endeavour to illustrate the true character of the minor distinctions of race, showing that these distinctions are by no means inconsistent with the common lineage and family relationship now exhibited.

COMPARATIVE VOCABULARY OF INDO-CHINESE BORDERERS IN ARAKAN.

English.	*Burmese or Myamma.*	*Khyeng or Shou.*	*Kami.*	*Kúmi.*	*Mrú or Toung Mrú or Myú.*	*Sák.*
Air	*lé*	klí	ga-lí	a-lí	ra-li	mwi-ya-hé
Ant	payuetseik	lhing-zá-mí	ba-lin	pa-lin	loung-tsa-ring-já	phún-si-gyá
Arrow	myá	thwá	lí	li-tá-i	sá, or qwá-i	to-lí-ma-lá
Bird	nghet	hau	ka-vá or ta-vá	ta-wú	ta-wá	wá-sí
Blood	*thwé*	ka-thí	a-thí	a-thí	wi	thé
Boat	thé	loung	m'loung	p'loung	loung	hau
Bone	ayo	ka-yok	a-hú	a-hú	a-hot	a-mrá
Buffalo	kyuai	nau	ma-ná	pán-no	ná	kro
Cat	kyoung	mín	mím-bo-i	min-cho	ta-myín	heing
Cow	nuá	sharh	kha-bo-i	si-rá	tsi-yá	tha-múk
Crow	kyí	áng-au	wa-á	ó-á	wa-á	wúk-ká
Day	né	ko-nup	ma-ni	ka-ni twun	ni	yat-ta
Dog	khwé	ú-i	ú-i	ú-í	ta-kwí	kú
Ear	ná	ka-nhau	a-ga-ná	ka-no	pa-rám	a-ka-ná
Earth	myé	det	ka-lái-hong	ka-loung	kroung	ká
Egg	u	to-i	du	dú-i	dú-i	wa-tí
Elephant	s'hen	mwí	ka-sái	ka-sá-i	nga-s'háit	u-kú
Eye	myetsi	mí-ú-i	a-mi	mé	min	a-mí
Father	phá-é	pau	pá-ei	am-po	pá	a-bá
Fire	mí	mí	má-í	mhá-i	má-i	bá-in
Fish	ngá	ngau	mo-í	ngho	dám	pan-ná
Flower	pán	pa-pá	a-pá	ka-shyoung	pá-ou	a-pán
Foot	khyé	ka-ko	a-kho	khou	khouk	a-tar
Goat	s'heik	ma	tso-bé	mí-é	ta-rau-a	ki-bí
Hair	s'haben	lu-sám	a-s'hám	s'hám	s'hám	kú-mí
Hand	let	kúth	a-kú	ka	rút	ta-kú
Head	ghoung	lú	a-lú	a-lú	lú	a-khú
Hog	wet	weuk	o	a-ou	ta-pák	vák

Horn	ghyo	a-kyí	at-ta-kí	ta-ki	a-náng	a-rúng
Horse	myin	shé	ta-phú	koung-ngú	ko-ra-ngá	sapú
House	eing	ím	ín	úm	kín	kyín
Iron	*th*án	thí	s'hein	ta-mhú	loung-há	*th*ein
Leaf	yuet	shé	la-háng	ngám	a-rám	pwín-ták
Light	len	...	a-ván-da-gá	...	wa-tá-í	...
Man	lú	kláng	ka-mí	ku-mi	mrú	lú
Monkey	myouk	young	ka-lái	ka-la	ta-yút	ka-wuk
Moon	lá	khlau	lá	hlo	pú-lá	*th*at-tá
Mother	a-mi	nú	na-ú-i	am-nú	a-ú	a-nú
Mountain	toung	toung	ta-kún	mo-i	s'hung, or túng	ta-ko
Mouth	nhup	hak-kau	a-ma-ká	li-boung	naur	áng-sí
Musquito	khyin	young-yán	kán-sa-ká	chán-ráng	ta-tsáng	pi-chí
Name	a-mi	na-mí	a-mín	a-min	E-mi	tú
Night	nyá	a-yán	ma-khún	wa-dúm	wár	ha-ná-hé
Oil	s'hi	to	s'hí	sa-rou	s'hí	sí-dák
Plantain	nghet pyo	nhám-pau	ka-tí	kú-ti	deng-kú-i	tsa-ú
River	myit	ha-loung	ka-vá	ka-wú	au	pi-si
Road	lám	lám	láng	lám	ta-má	láng
Salt	s'há	tsí	ma-lo-i	pi-lo-i	wí-s'há	súng
Skin	tha-yé	wún	a-phú	pé	pí	mí-lak
Sky	mo	han-mhí	khau, or khú	ka-ní	mú	koung-gounglak
Snake	myué	phol	ma-khú-í	pú-wi	ta-ro-a	ka-pú
Star	kyai	áá-shé	a-s'hí	ka-sí	ki-rek	*th*a-geing-*th*i
Stone	kyouk	lún	ka-lún	lún-s'houng	ta-whá	ta-lón
Sun	né	ko-nhi	ka-ní	ka-ni	ta-nin	sa-mí
Tiger	kyá	kyí	ta-ká-í	ta-ká-i	ta-prí	ka-*th*á
Tooth	*th*wá	ka-hau	a-fhá	ho	yún	a-*th*a-wá
Tree	apen	thin	a-kún	din-koung	tsing-dúng	púng-páng
Village	yuá	nám	váng	a-váng	kwá	thing
Water	yó	tú-í	tú-í	tú-í	tú-í	o
Yam	myouk	ba-há	khá	ho	mau	káng-kú
I	ngá	kyi	ká-i	ká-í	...	...
Thou	men or nen	náng	nán	nang	...	...
He	*th*ú	ni	ha-ná-i	hú	...	...

English.	*Burmese or Myamma.*	*Khyeng or Shou.*	*Kami.*	*Kúmi.*	*Mrú or Toung Mrú or Myú.*	*Sák.*
She	...	...	...	...	...	...
It	...	...	...	...	...	...
We	ngá-do	kin-ní	ka-chí	ká-í-no	...	...
Ye	mendo	náng-ní	nán-chi	náng-chí-no	...	...
They	thúdo	ni-di, or ni-li	hún-na, or ha-ni-	...	...	...
Mine	ngái	ki-ko	ká-í-un [chi	...	...	...
Thine	meni	náng-ko	nán-un	...	...	...
His	*th*úi	ni-ko	ha-ná-i-un	...	...	...
Ours	ngádoi	ki-ni-ko	ká-chi-un	...	...	...
Yours	mendoi	náng-ni-ko	nán-chi-un	...	...	...
Theirs	*th*ú doi	ní-dí-ko	ha-ni-chi-un	...	...	...
One	tit	nhát	há	há	loung	sú-war
Two	nhit	pan-nhí	ní	nhú	pré	nein
Three	*th*on	thúm	ka-tún	túm	shún	*th*in
Four	lé	lhi	ma-lí	pa-lú	ta-lí	prí
Five	ngá	nghau	páng-ngá	pán	ta-ngá	ngá
Six	khyouk	sauk	ta-ú	ta-rú	ta-rú	khyouk
Seven	khun-nhit	s'hé	sa-rí	sa-rú	ra-nhít	*th*a-ni
Eight	shyit	sát	ka-yá	ta-yá	rí-yát	a-tseit
Nine	ko	ko	ta-ko	ta-kau	ta-kú	ta-fú
Ten	s'hai	há	ha-suh	hau	há	si-sú
Twenty	nhit s'hai	kúr	kú-suh	a-pum-ré	pí-ra-mí	h€n
Thirty	thon s'hai	tún gíp	kú-i-thún	m'phá-i-ré	tsúm-gaum	*th*on-si
Forty	léz hai	lhí-gíp	kú-i-ma-lí	wú-pa-lú-ri	...	prí-sí
Fifty	ngáz hai	nghau-gíp	kú-i-páng-ngá	wí-pá-ri	...	ngá-sí
A hundred	tayá	klá-át	ta-rá	chúm-wá-ri	...	ta-yá
Of	i	...	ún	...	...	...
To	á	á	á	...	...	...
From	gá]	lá	ná-i	...	...	...
By	phyen	...	má	...	...	...
With	nhen	yung	há-i	...	...	...

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English.	*Burmese or Myamma.*	*Khyeng or Shou.*	*Kami.*	*Kúmi.*	*Mrú or Toung Mrú or Myú.*	*Sák.*
What?	bhá	íní-hám	...	...	...	...
Who?	bhé*th*ú	ú-lí-am	a-pá-i-mé	...	...	...
Anything	bhámhya	...	ta-ú-í	...	...	...
Anybody	bhéthúmhya	...	a-pá-í-mé	...	...	...
Eat	sá	é	tsá	tsá	...	...
Drink	*th*ouk	ú-é	nei	nei	...	...
Sleep	eik	íp	i	í	...	...
Wake	no	kakák	thá	an-thá	...	...
Laugh	yé	a-nwí	ma-nwí	ám-nhwi	...	...
Weep	ngo	a-káp	khá	a-wú	...	...
Be silent	teiksheikné	mhé	on-vo	...	...	...
Speak	pyo, s'ho	há-we	ta-pé	tho-i	...	...
Come	lá, youk	lo	va	you	...	...
Go	*th*wá	tsit	la	lá	...	...
Stand up	thá, mát	túη-e	ka-do	áng-thou	...	...
Sit down	tháing	ngúnge	ka-nú	tat	...	...
Move, walk	lé, kyuá	...	...	...	...	...
Run	pyé	cho-né	a-whí	lei	...	...
Give	pé	pe-ge	na-pú	pei	...	...
Take	yú	sí	lá	lo	...	...
Strike	yáik, pok	mo-lé	ma-lé	pu khou-orathum	...	...
Kill	*th*át	tú-e	dú-rhum-ma-lé	pu-khou	...	...
Bring	yú ghé	...	ma-há-í	lo	...	...
Take away	yu*th*wá	...	lá-há-í	lo-dé	...	...
Lift up, raise	mhyouk	youk-ké	ta-khún	ka-tán	...	...
Hear	kyá	ka-yauk	thá-i	thá-i	...	...
Understand	lé, *th*i	né	ka-ná-í	...	...	...
Tell, relate	s'ho kyá	...	...	thó	...	...
Good	koung	be	hú-i	hau-í	...	...
Bad	s'ho	po-ya	s'hau	hau-í-o	...	...
Cold	é	ka-young	dé, or, di	si-wú-i	...	...

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NOTE TO ACCOMPANY VOCABULARIES OF LAN. SPOKEN BY TRIBES IN ARAKAN.

1.—Burmese.

This is the language of the Arakanese people, who for the most part live in the lowlands and on the sea-coast of the country called Arakan. Provincial words occur in this language, differing from those of Burmah proper, and the pronunciation in Arakan varies considerably from that current in the valley of the "Irrawaddy;" yet the written languages of both countries are for the most part alike. Thus the word for a day written is ရက် pronounced Rák by the Arakanese, but by the Burmese is softened to Yet: the word for water is called by the Arakanese Rí, by the Burmese Yé. It is written with the same letters by both people. The Arakanese and Burmese are of the same race, and have the common national name of *Myam-má*, which is however a comparatively modern appellation for the several tribes, into which the race was originally divided. The term Mug is applied by the people of India to the Arakanese. It is exclusively a foreign epithet, unknown to the Arakanese themselves. It probably takes its origin from the tradition of a tribe of Bráhmans, termed *Mágas*, said to have emigrated Eastward from Bengal.

2.—Khyeng.

This name is given by the Burmese and Arakanese to a numerous race of people who live in the high range of mountains called *Yo-má* (that is "great ridge," or "back-bone"), which separates Arakan from the valley of the Irrawaddy. These people call themselves *Shyou* or *Shyú*. The word Khyeng (pronounced Khyáng or Kyáng by the Arakanese) is probably a corruption of *Kláng*,* their word for man; and

* Perhaps so; but Kyáng or Khiáng is a well-known ethnic designation to the Northward, where, by the way, with Chinese and Tibetans, many of the ethnic designations of the Indo-Chinese religion are familiar terms of their own, as Mon, Lho, Lao, Sák, Kyáng, Myau. Nearer at hand we have, as terms allied to Khyeng, Rakheng (whence our Arakan for "the Mugs"); Khyi for the "Cossiahs," Kho or Kyo and Ká for Kambojian tribes, and Ká Khyen for "the

their own present distinctive name for their tribe is no doubt recently adopted. An Arakanese in writing down for me words from the mouth of a man of this race, wrote Khyáng for what appeared to me to have the sound of *Kláng*. The Khyeng country extends along the Yo-má range (which runs nearly N.N.W. and S.S.E.) from about the nineteenth to the twenty-first degree of north latitude. The people inhabit both the Burmese and British side of the range. The ascertained number of this race under British rule in Arakan is 13,708 souls. An equal number probably reside within the Burmese territory. There are also a large number of Khyeng tribes, which, though living within the nominal British frontier, yet, from the rugged inaccessible nature of their country, are really independent, and which have never yet submitted to any foreign Government, whether Arakanese, Burmese, or British. Their language is unwritten. There appears to be some difference of dialect between the Northern and Southern tribes of Khyeng. The words here given were taken from a man belonging to the Northern tribes. The Khyengs believe themselves to be of the same lineage as the Burmese and Arakanese, the stragglers from armies or moving hordes left in the mountains.*

3.—KAMÍ OR KÚMÍ.

This race of people, of which there are two divisions called by themselves Kamí vel Kimi and Kúmí, and by Arakanese respectively Awa Kúmí and Aphya Kúmí, inhabits the hills bordering the river which is named by the Arakanese *Kuládán* (that is, limit or border of the *Kula* or Western foreigner),

Karens," whilst the Kambojian Kyo or Gyo reappears in the Kho of the Koladyne river, and in the "Moitay" of Manipúr we have the combined appellations of the Siamese Tai and the Kochin Chinese "Moy." In other words, the Manipurian tribe, called Cossiahs by the Bengálís, belong to the Moí section of the great tribe called Tai by themselves and Shán or Syán by the Burmese, the sectional name being also foreign, and equivalent to the native. Khyi or Khyáng of Chinese and Khyeng of Burmese.

* This native tradition and opinion accord with what follows relative to the Khyau and Mrúng in corroborating the doctrine which assigns the whole of the border mountaineers towards Ava, or inhabitants of the Yo-má range from Assam to Arakan, to the Rakheng division of the Myam-ma.

and by the Kamís *Ye-man*, by the Kúmís *Yan pán*. It is the chief river of Arakan. It is probable that the Kamís and Kúmís have not been settled in their present seat for more than five or six generations. They gradually expelled therefrom a tribe called Mrú or Myú. The Kaṃí clans are now themselves being disturbed in their possessions by more powerful tribes, and are being gradually driven Westward and Southward. They state that they once dwelt on the hills now possessed by the Khyengs, and portions of the tribe have been driven out by the latter within the memory of man. The language of the Kamí portion of this interesting race has lately been reduced to writing by the Rev. Mr. Stilson of the American Baptist Mission. The Kamí words entered in this vocabulary have been chiefly furnished by an intelligent Kamí young man educated by that gentleman, and are more to be depended upon than the other portions. For it is exceedingly difficult to acquire from savages, through the medium of a language foreign to them, any words but those which they use to designate some object or quality. The number of Kamís within the British territory amounts to 4129 souls. They are divided into several clans, each having a distinctive name. The dialects of these clans differ more or less from each other. Many clans are independent.

4.—Mru′ or Toung Mru′.

This is a hill tribe now much reduced from its ancient state. They once dwelt on the river Kuládán and its feeders, but have been gradually driven out by the Kamí tribe. They have therefore emigrated to the West, and occupy hills on the border between Arakan and Chittagong. The Rádzaweng, or history of the Araḳanese kings, refers to this tribe as already in the country when the Myam-ma race entered it. It states also that one of this tribe was chosen king of Arakan about the fourteenth century of the Christian era. The traditions recorded in the same work also imply that the Mrú and Myamma races are of the same lineage, though this connection is denied by the Arakanese of the present day, who regard the

Mru tribe as "wild men" living in a degraded state, and consider that it would be disgraceful to associate with them. The number of the Mrú tribe in Arakan amounts to about 2800 souls. Their language is unwritten. They call themselves *Mrú*. *Toung Mrú** is a name given to some of their clans by the Arakanese. *Mrú* is also used by the Arakanese as a generic term for all the hill tribes of their country. The word Khyeng is occasionally used in the same sense.

5.—Sa'k.

This is a very small tribe mentioned by Buchanan in his paper On the Religion and Literature of the Burmese, "Asiatic Researches," vol. vi. p. 229. He calls them "Thœk" (that being the Burmese pronunciation of the word), and states that they are "the people inhabiting the eastern" branch of the Nauf river, and are called by the Bengálís *Chatn* and "Chatnmas." *Chatn* is no doubt meant for *Sák*, which is the name these people now give themselves. Their language is unwritten.

There are other tribes in Arakan who have languages or dialects peculiar to themselves. They consist of but a few families, and some no doubt are the descendants of captives brought into the country several generations back by the Arakanese in their warlike expeditions against the adjoining countries. Of these, the language of the tribe called *Dáingnák* appears to be a rude corrupt dialect of Bengálí. The tribe called *Mrúng* state that their ancestors were brought as captives from the Tripúra hills. There is also a curious tribe called *Khyau*† in the *Kuláddán* country, consisting of not

* Toung means wild, uncultured, as "hill-men" with us, and Pahari or Parbatia with Hindus. Mrú alias Myú = Myau of Chinese, which again = Kyáng.

† Kyo aforesaid? The tradition would ally them with the Kúki and Khyí, whence Kyo, Khyen, Khyi, and Kúki may be conjectured to be radically one and the same term, and to be an opprobrious epithet bestowed by the now dominant races of Indo-China upon the prior races whom they have driven to the wilds, for Khyi, Kyi, Kí, Kú has the wide-spread sense of *dog*. Not one of these tribes is known abroad by its own name. Kami may be readily resolved into "men of the Ka tribe," the Ka being a proper name or merely an emphatic particle. Ka, mutable to Kí and Kú, is a prefix as widely prevalent in the Himálaya and Tibet

more than from fifty to sixty families. I have not yet been able to obtain satisfactory vocabularies of the languages of these last-named three tribes, but they will be procured on the first opportunity. I regret that there are so few words of the *Mrú* and *Sák* languages given, but as some time might probably elapse before more could be procured, I considered it best to forward them in their present state.

MEMO.

Scheme of vowels, &c., &c., a to be sounded as a in America.

á	a in father.
i	i in in.
í	i in police.
u	u in push.
ú	oo in foot.
e	e in yet.
é	e in there.
ai	ai in air.
ei	i in mind.
ou	ou in ounce.
au	au in audience.
o	o in note.
th	th in thin.
th	the aspirate of t.

I have endeavoured to express the sounds of the *Khyeng* and *Kamí* languages as near as I can, but there are a few which I could not exactly convey through any combination of European letters.

N.B.—In the next or Tenasserim series of words the system of spelling followed is the common English. I have not deemed it prudent to alter it. These words were taken down by Dr. Morton, not Captain Phayre, as above inadvertently stated. Valuable as they are, they lack the extreme accuracy of Captain Phayre's series, and hence I have not extended my comparisons over them.

as the word mí for man. The Kamís themselves understand the word in the latter sense—a very significant circumstance quoad affinities. Ka prefix is interchangeable with Ta (Ka-va or Ta-va, a bird in Kamí, and so in most of these tongues), and Ta varies its vowel like Ka; and thus, in Gyarúng, Tir-mi, a man, answers to Kimi, a man. Ex his disce alia.

COMPARATIVE VOCABULARY OF INDO-CHINESE BORDERERS IN TENASSERIM.

English.	*Burmese or Myamma.*	*Talien or Món.*	*Toung-lhoo.*	*Shán.*	*Siamese.*
Air	lá	kya	ta-lee	lónma	lon
Ant	parwet	khamol	h-tung	mot	mot
Arrow	hmya	lau	pla	pén	tsáu
Bird	hnget	khaten	á-wa	hnót	hnót
Blood	thwáy	htsein	thway	leet	leét
Boat	hlá	hlo	phray	hó	ró
Bone	ayo	htsot	htsot	sot	katot
Buffalo	kúwai	paren	pay-nay	kwihn	khwa
Cat	kyoung	pakway	nyen	myoung	may
Cow	nwau	karau	phou	wó	ngwau
Crow	kyée-gan	khatat	zank-ay	ka	ka
Day	na	ta-ngway	mo-yay	kawon	wan
Dog	khwá	kalá	htwe	ma	ma
Ear	nau	khato	nau	hoo	hoo
Earth	myá-ghee	te	ham-tan	sen	teín
Egg	ó-o	khmatsan	de	khíht	khu
Elephant	tsheng	tsing	hsan	tsan	htsann
Eye	myet-sé	mot	may	mat-ta	ta
Father	a-hpa	má	phá	pau	hpau
Fire	mée	ka-mol	may	hpihn	thwa
Fish	ngá	ka	lita	pa	para
Flower	pán	koung	ken	mau	towkma
Foot	khyá-hloúk	htsihn	khan	ten	ténn
Goat	hlsiet	khapa	bay	pá	hpá
Hair	htsa ben	swet	ta-lu	khon hó	hpóhn
Hand	let	tway	su	mee	mó
Head	o-hkoung	katau	katu	ho	kamon
Hog	wet	kalet	htau	moo	moo

English.	*Burmese or Myamma.*	*Talien or Món.*	*Toung-lhoo.*	*Shán.*	*Siamese.*
Horn	gyo	kareng	nung	khoung	khóung
Horse	myén	chway	thay	ma	ma
House	*seng	hnyee	sam	hien	rau
Iron	thán	kasway	say-thee	leit	leet
Leaf	ayuet	kana-htsoo	lay	moung-mán	pihn-ma
Light	aléng	rá	lita lay	alen	psa-won
Man	loo-youk-ya	karoo	lan	konpoo-trihn	hpoohtso
Monkey	myouk	ka-nwee	khyag	lein	lenn
Moon	la	kha too	lu	len	hpya hteet
Mother	ama	ya	men	amyá	má
Mountain	toung	kha-lon-khyan	koung	pa-touk	khan-ta
Mouth	pazat	khamoupan	proung	htsot	pat
Moschito	khyen	khamcet	takhra	you	you
Name	amee	yámoo	meen	tsoo	htso
Night	ngyu-ngyeen	khatan	mó-ha	ka khán	than-khen
Oil	htsée	kalihn	nú-man	na-mau	na-mau
Plantain	hnet-pyau	hpyat	gná	kwá	kalway
River	myeet	pee	nhrong	náu-howk	may-na
Road	lán	khapann	klay-tantha	tán	hon-táu
Salt	htsá	pó	tá	kó	ká ló
Skin	axá	nan	phro	nann	nann
Sky	mó	parwai	mó	hpa	a-kat
Snake	mywa	tha-roon	h'm	ngoo	ngoo
Star	kyay	noung	h'sa	loung	touk
Stone	kyouk	kamau	lung	mahein	hee
Sun	ná	ta-ngway	mu	kawon	kawon
Tiger	kyá	kala	ka	htso	tsó
Tooth	thwáu	nget	ta-gná	khyó	thóhn
Tree	apen	ka-noung	thing-mu	ton	tón
Village	yooa	koh	dung	mann	pann

* Jeng?

Water	ya	dhihk	h'tee	nán	nan
Yam	myouk-khoung	ka-wa	nwá	ho-mau	mau
I	ngá	awai	khwá	koung	kha
Thou	nen	bai	na	moung	ren
He	tho	nyá	wa	khoung-nick	koung-nee
She, It	...	...	...	...	...
We	nga tó	pwá	né	koung-niht	kha-aen
Ye	nen to	beén tau	ná-the	htsooh-niht	aen
They	thoo to	nyee tau	wá-the	mau-niht	loung-nee
Mine	nga ha	kharoo-awáy	...	khoung-kau	khon-kha
Thine	nen ha	kharoo-hpá	...	khoung-moung	khoung-aeng
His	thoo ha	kharoo-nyúng	...	khoung-pen	khoun-troung
Ours	nga-to ha	kharoo-away taw	...	khoung-houng	khonkhá tsoung
Yours	nen-to ha	kharoo hpaytau	...	khoung moung-pen	khrong tsoung-aen
Theirs	thoo to-ha	kharoomyeen-tau	...	khoung houng-pen	khonkha-tsooung-aen
One	teet	mway	ta	nein	nein
Two	hneet	pa	ne	htsoung	tsoung
Three	thóu	pe	thung	htsan	tsan
Four	lá	pón	leet	htse	tsee
Five	ngá	pa-tson	ngat	ha	hnga
Six	khyouk	karoung	ther	hoht	hoht
Seven	khwó-hneet	khapau	nwot	tseet	tseet
Eight	sheet	kha san	that	tet	tet
Nine	kó	kha-sɛé	koot	kowt	kowt
Ten	ta-htsay	tsau	tah-si	tseit	htseet
Twenty	hneet-htsay	pa-sau	he	htsoung	ya-tseet
Thirty	thon-htsay	pe-tson	thung	htsan-htsiet	tsan-tseet
Forty	sá-htsay	pon-tson	leet	hse htsiet	tsee-tseet
Fifty	nga-htsay	patsoo-tson	ngat	ha htsiet	ha-tseet
A hundred	ta-ra	kaloon	ta loyeu	hpat	yuay nén
Or	...	mken	a	...	...
To	go	pway	en	...	...
From	ga	noo	a	kohn	tway
By	...	nakeu	tóme	...	...
With	hnen	ku	...	han	kha

English.	*Burmese or Myamma.*	*Talien or Món.*	*Toung-lhoo.*	*Shán.*	*Siamese.*
Without	bá	hpa	...	mai	...
In	a-htámha	atway	pu	kanoung	khan-ná
On	apau	atoo	long	ka-nouk	khan-mon
Now	yákoo	la mod	ngá-khayeń	mayóhnihn	pá-too-nee
Then	hto akha	akha	moung ma	chyain-hnigh	hpá la
When?	bay-thaukha	a-khalarau	teu ma	chyain-lu	hpalahighn
To-day	thu khana	tang waynau	han-né	ma-hniht	wan-nee
To-morrow	net hpangha	lee ya	mu-reu	má-hpot	hpooneí
Yesterday	ma-na-ga	let-ka-na	má-ha	ma-wa	ma-wa-nee
Here	thee mha	kha-na-nau	yo	kaníht	hta nee
There	ho-mha	kha-na-ko	ea-h'sú	ka-po	hai-nan
Where?	bay-mha	alorau	eu-hmay	kalau	kalau
Above	a-htet-mha	atotá	en ké	pamon	tee-nan
Below	ouk-mha	kha ta ta	enla	palon	khan la
Between	alay-mha	adho	akha	akhun	khalan
Without, outside	apyenmha	ma-ngá	ta-h'tanu	ka-nouk	khan-nouk
Within	a-hlaymha	kha-tway	en-pu	ka noung	khan-noung
Far	awá-mha	noo-ma-way	hyá	an-kéhn	ka-rihn
Near	anee-mha	tsouk	lau	an-san	kará
Little	ta-htset kalai	soot	pá	aeet	net-ta-ró
Much	apon	hbau	a	taima	hton
How much?	bay-louk	ma-tsee	kheing hmay	hta-noung	htau rht
As	kai-tho	nway tseik-nau	nay-yó	neik-youk	nee
So	thu-kai-tho	nyoung-tseik-kau	nay-yo	tso-neik-youk	ram-nee
Thus	thee atihn	top-peun	nay-yo	tso-na-youk	men-ran-nee
How?	bay-nay	tsou-la	leu-may	tso-hoo	ran-rihn
Why?	ban-pyoolo	moo-parau	h'twa may	pen-htsau	hta mihn
Yes	hot-kai	tot-kwai	mwá	htsouk-hée	tsen
No	mahot-bóo	ha-tsen	ta-mwá tew	ma-tsouk	mai-htsa
(Do) not	ma-lot-boo	hó-ka-lon	...	ma-het-a	mai-htan
And, also	yuay	young	la	...	

Or	thó-mahot	hó-to-tseik-ko	...	tso-neik-ma-tsouk	mai-pen-yau
This	thee-ha	enan	yo	tso-niht	née lai
That	ho-ha	tai-kau	ta-hlon	tso-nan	nan-lai
Which?	bay-thin	ee-la-rau	lisa-may-nay	an-loung-lai	nihn-louk
What	ba-lai	moo-gau-rau	lo-may nay	ka-tsan-lay	ayo-loung
Who?	bay-tho	nyay-gau-rau	pá-may nay	hpoung	nihn-loung
Anything	tá-sontakhoo	mway-theik-payai	...	pen-htsaytsó-tsó	hpayla
Anybody	tá-tsontáyouk	kha-ra-tan-mwai-mwai	...	pen-htsaytsó-tsó	hpayla-righm
Eat	tsa-thee	tsee	am	kyen	kénn
Drink	thouk-thee	thou	nwa	kyen	kenn
Sleep	aick-thee	tet	ping	nonn	nona
Wake	nó-thee	ngoo	ting	tén	tein
Laugh	yay-thee	garihn	nga	kho	ho-rau
Weep	ngó-thee	rán	ngen	hihk	raung-hihn
Be silent	tét-tet naithee	mon-ka-nouk-ka-nouk	hnging	yoo-hlseet-hlseet	nenróo
Speak	pyauhtso-thee	han-kai	ung-dau	sat	hoo-tsa
Come	la-thee	ka-lon-ra	lóne	mha	ma
Go	thwáu-thee	aara	lway	kwa	pihk
Stand up	mat-tal-nay-thee	monlet kha-tau	ung-h'hung	tsot-roo	roa
Sit down	htihn-thee	kha-gyo	ung-lan	nan-yoo	nan
Move, walk	lay-thee	kyay	lay	lay-yoó	hta-ro
Run	pyai-thwau-thee	gareetaa	law	len-kwa	wen pihn
Give	pai-thee	ka	pha	pan	hihn
Take	yoo-thee	keet	khone	an	ouk
Strike	yeik-thee	tat	tway	pau-tihn	pau tihn
Kill	that-thee	tsa	ma-thay	out-tihn	out-tihn
Bring	yoa-khaí-thee	keet-nen	htoo-tone	oung-ma	oung-man
Take away	you-thwau-thee	keet-na	htoo-lway	oung-kwa	oung-kot
Lift up, raise	mhyouk-thee	ka-toung	hya or young	hóh-khen	houn-khan
Hear	na-htoun-thee	kalan	heung	htan loo	htawlon
Understand	nálay-thee	tiht-ma-ra	tha-na	hoo-likh	hoo-let
Tell, relate	pyau-thee	han-ma-rai	thou-than	lat	lat
Good	koung-thee	khá	heu	lee yau	lee-youk
Bad	ma-koung	hakhá	kay	ma-lee	ma-lee
Cold	chyann-thee	bá	khwá	kat	kann

English.	*Burmese or Myamma.*	*Talien or Món.*	*Toung-lhoo.*	*Shán.*	*Siamese.*
Hot	poo-thee	kata	kheu	méik	met
Raw	tsen-thee	tsen-tsangeet	ta-theet	chyo	chyo
Ripe	mhai-thee	tóo	hma	a-htsot	wen
Sweet	chyáthee	tat	neu	tron	wann
Sour	khyen-thee	hpya	h'sya	htsol	htso
Bitter	cháthee	ka-tau	khu	khon	khon
Handsome	hla thee	gau	tá-rá	han-leen	han lan
Ugly	ayot-htso-thee	hén	...	han-tichk	hou hikh
Straight	hpoung-thee	touk	tsone	tsoo	htsó
Crooked	kouk thee	ta-nouk	ngá-ken	kot	kot
Black	mai thee	katsau	phren	lan	lan
White	hpyoothee	hpa-tïhn	bwá	khoung	khoung
Red	nee-thee	hpa-keet	tá-nya	len	taí
Green	tsein-thee	hnen-ta-nyeet	ling	chyo	khayo
Long	shac thee	kalein	h'to	young	young
Short	to-thee	kalée	deng	tot	tsánn
Tall (man)	myen-thee	tha-lon	h'to	tson	thóhn
Short (man)	poothee	kwa	pú	pauk	tee
Small	ngay thee	dhot	pá	leikh	let
Great	kyoc thee	tha-not	tan	youhk	kalóhn
Round	lón-thee	kha-toung	tung-lung	món	htsee
Square	lai-htouk nai thee	pon-ka-lan	seet-seng	pyay	htseeien
Flat	pya-thee	kha-tai-thee	sau-pyay	pyee	hpen
Fat	wau-thee	ka-ra	pay	pyee	awen
Thin	pen-thee	tha rai	hyeng	raung	hpóhn
Weariness	anyoung	ka-won	tá-wa	kon	mai
Thirst	yai-nat-khyer	htan-tikh	h'ta-en-h'tee	rat-nan	rat-nan
Hunger	ngat-mot khyen	ka-lo hpyo	ha-khó	ok-pyat	aotrat

N.B.—English system of spelling used in the above, which I have not ventured to alter.

SECTION VII.

ON THE

MONGOLIAN AFFINITIES OF THE CAUCASIANS.

ALL residents in the East who take an interest in the more general topics of Ethnology must have been exceedingly struck by Dr. Latham's recent imposing exhibition of the vast ethnic domain of the Mongolidæ. From Easter Island to Archangel, from Tasmania and Madagascar to Kamtchatka and the mouths of the Lena, all is Mongolian! Caucasus itself, the Arian Ararat, is Mongolian! India, the time-honoured Aryavartta, is Mongolian! Granting that this remarkable sketch* is in good part anticipatory with reference to demonstrative proofs, it is yet, I believe, one which the progress of research has already done, and is now doing much, and will do yet more, to substantiate as a whole; though I think the learned author might have facilitated the acceptance of his splendid paradoxes, if, leaving the Oseti† and the Bráhmans in unquestioned possession of their Arian honours, he had contented himself with maintaining that the mass of Caucasian and Indian population is *nevertheless* of Turanian, not Arian, blood and breed; and if, instead of laying so much stress upon a special Turanian type (the Seriform), he had been more sensible that the technical diagnostics, which have been set upon the several subdivisions of the Mongolidæ, are hindrances, not helps, to a ready perception of the common characteristics of the whole race.

* Natural History of Man: London, 1850.

† It will be seen in the sequel that in the course of those investigations which gave the "Comparative Analysis" its present amplitude, I satisfied myself that the Oseti are Mongolian.

I do not propose on the present occasion to advert to what has been lately done in India demonstrative of the facts, that the great mass of the Indian population, whether now using the Tamulian or the Prakritic tongues, whether now following or not following the Hindu creed and customs, is essentially non-Arian as to origin and race, but that this mass has been acted upon and altered to an amazing extent by an Arian element, numerically small, yet of wonderful energy and of high antiquity. These are indubitable facts, the validity of which I am prepared with a large body of evidence to establish; and they are facts which, so far from being inconsistent with each other, as Latham virtually assumes, are such that their joint operation during ages and up to this hour is alone capable of explaining those physical and lingual characteristics of the Indian population, which Dr. Latham's theory leaves not merely wholly unexplained, but wholly inexplicable. I must however postpone their discussion till I come to treat of the Newár and Khas tribes of Népál. In the meanwhile, and with reference to Dr. Latham's crowning heresy that the most Caucasian of Caucasians (the Irôn or Oseti) are "more Chinese than Indo-European," I have a remarkable statement to submit in confirmation of his general, though not his special, position; my agreement with him being still general, not special.

His general position quoad Caucasus is, that the Caucasian races are Mongolidan; and, availing himself with unusual alertness of the results of local Indian research, he has, at pp. 123-128, given copious extracts from Brown's Indo-Chinese Vocabularies, as printed in our Journal; and he has then compared these vocables with others proper to the Caucasian races. My recent paper upon the close affinity of the Indo-Chinese tongues with those of the Himálaya and of Tibet, will show how infinitely the so-called "Chinese" element of this comparison may be extended and confirmed; and my Sifanese series, now nearly ready, will yet further augment this element of the comparison, which in these its fuller dimensions certainly displays an extraordinary identity in many of the commonest and most needful words of the languages of Caucasus on the one hand, and of Tibet, Sifan,

the Himálaya, Indo-China, and China on the other. There is no escaping, as I conceive, from the conclusion that the Caucasian region, as a whole, is decidedly Mongolian, what I have now to add in the shape of grammatical or structural correspondences affording so striking a confirmation of that heterodox belief, whilst Bopp's somewhat strained exposition of the Arian characteristics of the Irôn (as of the Malayo-Polynesian) provokes a doubt even as to them, despite the "Edinburgh Review." * It is the fashion of the age to stickle, somewhat overmuch perhaps, for structural or grammatical correspondences, as the only or best evidence of ethnic affinity. I am by no means insensible of the value of such evidence; and, though I may conceive it to be less important in reference to the extremely inartificial class of languages now in question than in reference to the Indo-European class, I proceed to submit with great pleasure a telling sample of structural identity between the Gyárúng tongue, which is spoken on the extreme east or Chinese frontier of Tibet, equidistant from Khokhonúr and Yúnán, and the Circassian language, which is spoken in the west of Caucasus.

The Gyárúng sample is the fruit of my own research into a group of tongues heretofore unknown, even by name: the Caucasian sample is derived from Rosen apud Latham, pp. 120–122.

Rosen, who was the first to penetrate the mysteries of Caucasian Glossology, states, 1st, that the Circassian pronouns have two forms, a complete and separable one, and an incomplete and inseparable one. 2d, That in their incomplete or contracted and concreted form, the pronouns blend themselves alike with the nouns and with the verbs. 3d, That these pronouns, like

* No. 192, article Bopp's Comp. Grammar—a work that cannot be too highly rated, though its style of demonstration is not equally applicable beyond the Indo-Germanic pale. Its spirit may pass that pale, but not its letter, as when the Georgian sami is identified with the Sanscrit tri, Greek τρια, and Latin tres. My doubt respects the Oseti, not the Malayo-Polynesians, for I am satisfied that *they* are Mongolian, and would now add a striking and novel statement in support of that opinion, but that I must by so doing go too far ahead of my yet unproduced Sifan vocabularies. The true and endless Mongolian equivalents for the Georgian numeral may be seen in the Appendix to this Essay.

the nouns, have no inflectional or other case signs; in other words, are immutable.* 4th, That the complete form of the pronouns is distinguished by the suffix Ra. Now, every one of these very arbitrary peculiarities belongs to the pronouns in the Gyárúng language not less than in that of Circassia, as the following examples will show; and I should add that by how much the development of this part of speech is anomalous throughout the Tartar or Mongolian tongues, by so much is the instanced coincidence with the Circassian more significant, the anomalous or irregular character of the pronouns of both not sufficing to conceal the coincidence, and therefore doubly illustrating it.

Circassian.—Ab, father. Wara, thou, the full pronoun. Wa, the contracted form, used in composition.

Hence Wáb or Wa-ab, thy father.

Gyárúng.—Pé, father,.. Nanré, thou, the full pronoun. Na, the contracted form, used in composition.

Hence Napé or Na-pé, thy father.

VERBAL USE.

Circassian.—Warú, { wa / ú } —kwisloit, thou ridest.

Gyárúng.—Nanré na—syo, thou knowest.

I have changed the Gyárúng verb, because I do not possess the equivalent in that tongue for to ride. It matters not, however, as the sample shows the grammatical form to be absolutely the same in both sentences, just as well as if ride were the verb used in both.

The other rules and examples (scanty, I admit) given by Latham from Rosen may be matched in each instance by

* I have now ascertained that the same principles prevail, with slight variations, in the Háyu, Kuswár, Kiránti, and Limbu languages of the Himálaya, in the U'raon, Ho, Sontál, and Gondi tongues of Tamulian India, and in the Tagala and Malayu languages of the Pelasgian group, though passing out of use in the last-named tongue as in several of the Himálayan tongues. See remarks in the Supplement. I may add that in the Háyu language (of which I have a detailed account nearly completed) the verbs are distinguished into the two classes of transitives and intransitives precisely as in Malay.

Gyárúng rule and sample, as will be seen in the sequel. But there is this difference in respect to the Ra suffix, that it is applied to the first and second pronouns in Circassian, though not to the third; and to the second only in Gyárúng.*

This, however, is in complete conformity with the other and typical Mongolian tongues; for in Mantchú, and in Mongol also, the Ra suffix is found, but attaching only to the *third* personal; and if we compare the Téré of those tongues † with the Chinese Tá and the Sokpo Thá, we shall perceive the perfect analogy of the suffix throughout these tongues, in spite of its varying applications.

But is there no clue to the irregularities, none to the real force and signification, of this pronominal suffix? Clearly there is; for in the Tibetan language, the word rang, meaning self, and attaching to all the personal pronouns alike, ‡ affords us that clue, though the people of Circassia and the Gyárúng, whose common and familiar use of this suffix is so perfectly analogous, seem equally unaware of the fact, and can neither explain the meaning nor the partial application of their suffix, any more than can the Mantchús and Mongols. This I infer from the silence of authors, and should add that the explanations are wholly my own, my Gyárúng interpreter being able only to express very unsophisticated surprise when asked to analyse a word.

But I have not yet done with the analogy of Circassian and Gyárúng pronouns, having still to notice that the third personal in Circassian, which drops the Ra suffix, is not really a personal but a demonstrative, equivalent to ille, iste. Now, the Gyárúng language has a third personal, which the Circassian lacks; but it has also a demonstrative, and that demonstrative is the very

* The first and second pronouns are so nearly alike in Gyárúng (nga, na), that the ré suffix has probably been reserved to the second, in order to difference it more plainly.

† Recherches sur les langues Tartares, pp. 173, 183. I cannot thus revert to the thoughts of my old antagonist (voce Buddhism) without a fresh tear dropped on the untimely grave of that truly amiable and learned man.

‡ Nga, I, ngarang, I myself, egomet; and so khérang, khórang. Rémusat has sadly confused the Tibetan pronouns, and, as I suspect, those of the other "langues Tartares," though his work be a marvel for the time and circumstances of its publication. Rémusat ut supra, p. 365.

same as the Circassian one; that is, ú or w; and this pronoun has, in both tongues alike, a separate, full, and a concrete contracted form. Moreover, in the Gyárúng tongue the forms and uses of this demonstrative afford a perfect elucidation both of its strange metamorphosis (w to t) and of its anomalous suffix (i) in Circassian; for "watú" is the complete separate form in Gyárúng; whilst "wa," the contracted form, alone used in composition, constantly takes í, which is really a genitive sign and recognised as such in Tibetan, but is a mere "particule morte" in Gyárúng as in Circassian. Take the following samples from Gyárúng: Watú, he, iste, ille: Wapé, his father: Womo,* his mother: Waimyek, wa-i-myek, his eye (myek, eye): Shaimek, shai-i-mek, leaf of tree (shi, tree, mek, leaf); and then turn to the Circassian samples in Latham, ú-í, he; t-ab, his father;† í-kwisloit, he rides, and you will perceive that (ú being the same with w) the nominal t and the verbal í of Circassian are the secondary or suffix portions of the full Gyárúng pronoun exalted into primaries in order to difference the third person from the second, the second already having the wa or ú (wab, thy father; ú-kwisloit, thou ridest) form. And that such substitution of the secondary for the primary part of a word is no arbitrary assumption of mine, but a regular principle of the Caucasian and of the Mongolian tongues, may be seen by the numerous examples of it occurring in the subjoined list of vocables. The above elucidations of Circassian pronouns for which I am entirely answerable, are so thoroughly in the spirit of Bopp's system that I trust they may find favour

* The change of wa into wo, in wapó and womo, is an instance of that vocalic harmony which these languages so much affect, and which has been erroneously supposed to be peculiar to Turki. We have abundant alliteration both vocalic and consonantal out of, or beyond the Turki branch of, the Mongolian tongues.

Shaimek, from shi and mek, has other peculiarities precisely similar to what occur in the Altaic tongues, teste Remusat.

† In the supplement to this paper will be found an exact and beautiful pendant for this Circassian sample, derived from the Tamulian tongues, the Sontal language having ú and í for the third personal, and these commutable in composition into the conjunct form of tá, precisely as in the Circassian tongue. From the Gondi tongue is there given another example of the commutation of ú to t, so that my exposition from the Gyárúng instance is placed beyond doubt, whilst some fresh and beautiful links are added to the chain of affinities, as to which see prior note.

in his eyes, though I have ventured to demur to his Arianising of the Tartars by too strained applications of that system.

I know not if Rosen at all explains the peculiarities of the pronouns in Circassian, but Latham does not; and it will therefore be felt as a truly interesting circumstance that the explanation just given, like that of the Ra suffix, have been fetched from Lhása and Litháng! The cultivated tongue of Tibet proper continues, it will be seen, to afford the clue to the labyrinth; and that it does so, is surely a strong presumptive proof, as well of its superior antiquity as of its superior completeness. So judging, I cannot moreover doubt that the Circassian preterite sign is the same with the Tibetan preterite sign (chen-tshar), though this be beside the mark of pronominal expositions—and to these I must confine myself, or I shall not know where to stop, so constantly do these Tartarian illustrations of the Caucasian tongue flow in upon me. I am unaware whether the Circassian language is distinguished, like the Gyárúng, by a very ample employment of those prefixes which, as more or less employed, characterise so many of the Mongolian tongues, and which are dropped in composition, like the Ra suffix. Thus, tarti, a cap, in Gyárúng, is compounded of ti the root, and tar * the prefix; but if we join a noun or pronoun to this word the prefix disappears, and "his cap," for example, is wárti, compounded of the wá above mentioned and the radical ti. In like manner taimek, a leaf, when compounded with shí, a tree, drops the tá prefix and becomes shaimek, as tápé, father, becomes ngapé, my father.† Rosen, should this paper fall under his eye, or

* Ta, the common form, becomes tar, differentially as tími, fire; tirmi, man, root mi, used in both senses. In tirmi, tarti, warti, we have the ra particle, which remains in its conjunct form as a medial, whilst the usual prefix ta disappears. The rá, too, would disappear in a compound of roots if not needed to differentials and mark the special sense of such roots, or one of them, or if the root commenced with other than a labial consonant, its prefix being servile.

† It has been queried whether the polysynthetic words of the American tongues quoad their principle of construction, as to which there is so much doubt, be not compiled from *radical* particles only. Judging by the method of forming ordinary compounds in Gyárúng and its allies, I should say, Yes, certainly they are to a great extent, though not exclusively, for the cumulative principle ill brooks control, revelling in reiterations and transpositions of root alike, and of

Latham perhaps, whose quick eye will not fail to catch it, will be able to tell whether the same peculiarity distinguishes the Circassian tongue. For myself I doubt not it will so prove, because the rule for nouns is but another phase of the rule for pronouns.

In the meantime, the striking grammatical analogies* I have pointed out stand in no need of further elucidation, and these analogies, together with the explanation from the Tibetan of the widely-used but heretofore unexplained Ra suffix, constitute in themselves, and as sustaining all those numerous identities of the primitive vocables which have been adverted to, something very like a demonstration of the Mongolidan affinities of the Caucasians, though I would be understood to speak with a due sense of the disqualifications inseparable from my secluded position and want of access to books. I subjoin Latham's sample of the construction of the Circassian language, with its equivalent in Gyárúng.

"I give to my father the horse."

Circassian.—Sara	s-ab	acé	istap
I	my father	horse	give
Gyárúng.—Ngaŕé†	nga-pé	boroh	dovong
I	my father	horse	give

"In the house are two doors" is, in like manner, "house two doors" in the Circassian and Gyárúng tongues.

its servile adjuncts, though clearly, as to simple compounds, constantly observing the rules of contraction and of substitution noted in the text. In the Gyárúng sentence, Tizécazé papún, he summoned them to feast, the word for to feast shows the root repeated twice, and each time with a separate servile, though we have here only one verb, not two verbs; and in kalarlar, round, still no compound, we have the root repeated, but yet with a servile, though only one, being the prefix ka. In such cases that servile is usually omitted, as kaka, sky; pyepye, bird; chacha, hot.

* Those analogies might now be largely extended did health and time permit. Take the following instances:—Tam-bus, father; imbas, my father, in U'raon. Sampa, father; ampa, my father, in Kiránti, Ku-kos, child; ing-kos, my child, U'raon. Tam, sam, ku, serviles, replaced by the pronouns; compare Malayan sam-piyan, san-diri, kan-diri, ka-manus, k'anak, &c.

† Ra suffix subjoined for illustration though not in use with *this* person. See prior note.

The plural sign, kwé in Circassian, myé or kamyé * in Gyárúng, is in both languages alike "the beginning and end of declension."

The following list of Circassian and Gyárúng pronouns may facilitate the reader's apprehension.

	I	*Thou*	*He*
Circassian pronouns—	Sa-ra	Wa-ra	U-í
Gyàrúng pronouns—	Ngá	Nan-ré	Wa-tu

The same conjoined with a noun.

Circassian.†—	S-ab	W-ab	T-ab	My, Thy, His, father.
Gyárúng.—	Nga-pé	Na-pé	Wa-pé	

COMPARISON AND ANALYSIS OF CAUCASIAN AND MONGOLIAN WORDS.

Man.—K'mari in Georgian
Maré in Suanic

Maro in Lepcha
Muru in Súnwár
M'ru in Mrú
Mano in Newári
Mansi in Bódó
Múa-máre nomen gentis

K, prefix, servile, as in Indo-Chinese k'lun, a man, and Malayan k'anak, a child; a sort of article and equivalent to the suffixed k.

Má, with the customary change of vowel (see on to mo-i and mi), is the root throughout, and it takes the common ra suffix, likewise with the usual vocalic diversity. But observe that in m'ru this servile absorbs the vowel of the root, as in m'se, Georgian for mé-se, voce fire.

Man.—Lé-g in Osetic
Lé-ng in Burmese
Len-ja in Magar
Lú in Burmese
Ló-k in Tai
Ló-g-nya in Khas
K'lú-n in K'lún

This is the first of numerous samples in which the name of the species is that of a tribe.
Means husband.
Means male, especially human, lén, the root, having the sense of mankind, or both sexes.
K suffix, servile articular like the g in lé-g and ló-g.
Nya, a synonym.
Compare k'amari and k'anak. Lú root. Nomen gentis necnon hominis.

Boy.—Lap-pu in Osetic
Lok-pa in Tai

Pú suffix, a diminutive. Lé, lá, ló, the root, as in man.
Pa, diminutive = pu. Ló, root.

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* Ka is the prefix, appended as usual. I have already remarked that the Gyárún tongue is distinguished among its allies by its extensive employment of this class of particles. The Burmese tongue makes less use of them, and in its myá, much, many, we have the Gyárúng plural sign, myé, or ka-myé. The Suanic maré and Georgian k'mari for man, afford precise Caucasian equivalent quoad the servile ka, showing it to be dropped or retained according to circumstances or to dialects in Caucasus.

† Ab, father—pé, father, less the prefix.

Lúk-wan in Tai — Lú root with articular, k suffixed. Wan, doubtful. Compare wak, in Armenian, sá-wak, a child; sa in Burmese having the root only.

Young person of either sex: Bitshi in Georgian; Bi-shi in Lazic — Shi, euphonised sha = sa and cha and za, in the following words; or it may be bi, bo, bu, junior, and shi, human.

Bo-shi in Mingrelian — Means daughter.

Bo-zo in Lazic — Zo = za = sa and cha, the common diminutive, euphonised to vowel of root.

Bisha, Bishi in Bódó — Male and female respectively.

Bu-cha in Takpa — The diminutive cha is seen in the conjunct form in Osetic sa-ch voce earth.

Pu-sa in Maplu — Zo servile, as in Lazic bo-zo.

Po-ze in Pasuko — Z = S, alike in Caucasian and Mongolian series.

Man.—Moi in Osetic — I' servile. Mó, = má supra et mí infra, is the root.

Moi in Kong — Means sister.

Pú-moi in Ple — Means woman, pú being a feminine sign. Moi therefore is man.

Moi-tai — Nomina gentium. See note at end of supplement.

Mo-n — Means child, cha being a diminutive, = sa, supra.

Mo-cha in Newári — Mú is the root. For change of vowel therein, see note, voce dog.

Múi-bú in Takpa — Rú, the ra suffix, with its vowel harmonised to that of root.

Mú-rú in Súnwár

Man.—Tsé-s in Georgian — Means boy, owing to the sa suffix. Tsé therefore is man.

Tsé in Chinese

Man.—Zo-zi in Osetic — Zi, = si and shi, is the root. The latter appears in bit-shi, tsé, &c. It is a very widely-spread man root, signifying adults as well as juniors.

Ka-zi in Georgian

V-zi in Horpa

D-zi in Chinese

Woman.—U's in Osetic — The root is ú, meaning man. The conjunct s is the feminising suffix. U'-er-ti, ú-shi, &c. have the same root. Rĕs is the ra suffix, with the sa particle repeated.

U's-res in Gyárúng

Woman.—Swa-n in Osetic

Swa-s-ni in Khas

Brother or *Sister*: Dá in Georgian; Dá in Sóntal

Dá in Kuswár — Means girl.

Da-s, Dá in Uraon — Mean boy and girl.

A-da in Bódó

Dá-ni in Dhimáli — Means virgin.

D'si in Chinese

Ego = *Homo.*—Mi in Suanic — Mean I, the pronoun. No fact is better established in Glossology than the frequent equivalency of the roots for man and I, and it is of much importance to note them here.

Mé in Georgian

Mé in Mingrelian

Má in Osetic

Mi in Tibetan Mi in Lhopa Mi in Murmi Mi in Moitai Mhi in Gúrúng Bhar-mi in Magar Bar-ma, nomen gentis Tir-mi in Gyarúng Mi-va in Gáró Yap-mi in Limbu Mih-pa in Kuki	This and all the following mean man. It is remarkable how far the pronominal sense of mi prevails in Caucasus, and the nominal in the regions east of it. But they run into each other, and the root very generally is further employed to designate tribes from Caucasus to Indo-China, as mi-shi-mi, from the mi and shi roots, mú-r-mi, from the mu and mi roots, &c., &c.
Ka-mi in Kámi Kú-mi in Kúmi Pú-mi in Plé	Tribe names derived from name of species—a very extensively diffused principle. The etymology of Burma or the Burmese is thus recovered. See Supplement.
Mi-jang in Newár Mi-sa in Newár	Mi, the species; jang and sa sexual adjuncts. Jang = mas. Sa = fem.
Mi-ya in Newár Miyau-lau in Roinga	Means girl. Ya, differential servile with reference to the various senses of the mi root.*
Mim-ma in Burmese	Means woman. Root mi. Ma is a feminine and maternal sign.
Sa-mí in Burmese	Means girl. See note in sequel.
S'mé in Horpa Se-mé in Kolun	S'mé means girl, like sa-mi and sé-me. The sa particle in various phases, added to mi root.
Mé-jing in Lau	
I.—Sa in Circassian Sa-ya in Malay	Ya, a differential servile.
Sa in Tagalan	An article. See Crawford's work for proof how these so-called articles blend with the pronouns.
Sa in Malay	Means one. Smidt wittily remarks on the perpetual coincidence of the first personal pronoun, and the first numeral, which is also constantly equivalent to the indefinite article, where wanting.
Sú-m in Vayu	In composition only, as ha-sum, give to me.
I.—Má in Osetic Má in Mingrelian Má in Lazic Mi in Suanic Ma in Tinnic	
Mo-n in Sap	Compare moi, man, in Osetic and món the Indo-Chinese tribe name.
Mi in Mongol Mi in Mantchu	Deduced from the derivatives mi-ni and mi-ning-ge. So mi in the sense of man is deduced from mim-ma and sa-mi in Burmese.
I.—Jé-s in Armenian Ji in Newári vJa in Horpa	See remarks, voce dog, on the vocalic changes to which all roots nearly are subject.

* The basis of all these tongues from Caucasus to Oceanica is a small number of monosyllabic roots bearing necessarily many senses. Hence to distinguish between those several senses is the chief function of the servile adjuncts of the roots. In this language, for example, the root wa means come, tooth, rice, rain, throw, and he.

I.—A′-z, A-s in Osetic
An-ka in Kiránti
A-ku, A′ in Malay
A′ in Manyak
Ká in Dhimáli
} A′ is the root throughout, za, sa, ka, ku, being serviles, though some of them, as ka, frequently take the place of the root.

Thou.—She-n in Georgian
Si in Mingrelian
Si in Suanic
T'shi in Mongol
Se-n in Túrki
Sa-n in Onigur
Sa in Finnic
Chhá in Newári
Chá in Sokpa
} Sí, shí; sé, shé; sá, shá, sú, are the several phases of the root, or cycle of customary variation, just as in the nouns. See remarks on "kha" voce dog.

Sú in Tai — The plural, Ye.

He.—Ná in Armenian
Ná in Chinese
Ná in Malay
Ni in Khyeng
No in Anam
Ha-ná-i, H'ná-i } in Kámi — Ha prefix and Ĭ suffix, servile.

He.—U′-i in Circassian
U′-i in Sóntál
O′ó in Magyar
U′ in Circassian
U′ in Gáró
O′ in Onigur and Túrki
Wo in Newári and Gondi
Wa in Gúrúng, in Dhimáli, and in Tunglhu

He.—I′ in Circassian
I′ in Mantchu
I′ in Burmese
I′ in Dhekra
I′ in Malay and Tagala — Deduced from i-ti, i-tu, &c.

He.—Ta in Circassian
Ta in Sóntál
Ta in Gondi
Té in Mongol
Té in Mantchu
Té-ún in Dhekra
Tá in Esthonian
Thá in Gyami
Thi in Gúrúng
Thé in Murmi
} In composition as conjunct prefix or suffix or as disjunct, *e.g.*, t-ap, his father; apa-t, his father; handa-ta-r, he went. See Rosen, Phillips, and Driberg. With regard to the transposed pronoun, see note voce fire. The law of transposition is so important that I add the following samples to show that even where the actual practice has ceased, analogy supports its quondam use.

Suffix Possessive.	*Prefix Possessive.*
Baba-ku, Malay.	Ang-upa, Váyu.
Aba-im, Kuswar.	Im-bas, U′raon.
Apa-ing, Sóntál.	Nga-pe, Gyárúng.

= *my father.*

Thú in Burmese
Tá-i in Dhekra — In i-thu, ithi. Means she.

He.—I′-s in Georgian
I-ti-na in Mingrelian
I-té in Dhekra
} See Remarks in Supplement.

I-sé I-se-ná } in Magar	} Mean this, this very one, this one here.
I-ti in Malay	
Sé-i-ti in Koch	Iste qui.
Sé-i in Dhekra	
I'-ta in Khas	Means here.
Si-ni, si-tu, in Malay	Means here and there.*
Si-ya in Malay	Ille qui.
Sky.—Khá-k in Absné Ká in Lazic' Ká-ka in Akush Khá khau in Kámi	{ Khá is the aspirate, and ka-ka the reduplicate state of the root. K final is an articular servile, as in talak, bik, &c., &c.
Khó-rang in Bódó Nam-khá in Tibetan Nam-khan in Magar	{ For nam compare nam-sin. It is frequently omitted. Khá is *the* place, metaphorically sky or heaven. Rang is an emphatic servile, for which see supplement to this paper.
Sky.—Ta-la-k in Tshettshentsh	{ La, root. Ta, the common prefix, and k, the articular suffix.
Ta-li in Georgian A-li in Georgian	{ Doubtful, and can mean sky only metaphorically.
Ta-la-k in Ostiac	Means sun.
Ta-li-ang in Lepcha	{ Ta, as before. Ang, a form of the na suffix. Compare pett-ang.
Ta-li in Gyárúng	Means air.
Le in Burmese A-li in Kumi	{ The nude root whereof the phases are lá, lé, li.
K'li in Khyeng Ga-li in Kámi La-k in Sák *Li* in Rukheng	{ Valuable illustrations of the system of serviles, the root being palpable. Its general sense is air, sky, by metaphor. For k' prefix of kli, see k'mari.
Fire.—Mizh in Suanic = Mi-zhi Msé in Georgian = Mé-sé Mzá in Absné = Ma-za	{ Zhí, só, zá, are three conjunct suffix forms of the sá particle which is seen in manyak in its separate unaltered form as a prefix. Here it is altered, 1st, by dropping its own harmonised vowel (see zhi, infra), 2d, by absorbing the vowel of the root. Din, den, for di-ni, day, and smé for sémé, girl, are parallel instances of change as of transposition are mi-sa and sa-mi,† voce man. See note below; and that on the ma particle, voce "day."
Zhi in Kuánchua Zi in Dido Za in Chunsag	{ These are introduced to show the servile particle of mizh, mza, and to show it superseding the root, as in fa for ma, here, and in ba for sa, voce cow, and in di for bi, voce skin.

* It is because the third personal is so perpetually identical with the demonstratives, of which the direct and exclusive principle is contrast, that the same elements come to express the contrasts of place and time and manner (here there; now then: as, so). He who would trace the remoter affinities of race, must treat languages in this thoughtful manner.

† NOTE. The mi-sa, sa-mi, sample of transposition of the sa particle, cited above to match the me-se, Georgian, sa-me, Manyak, sample here compared with it, is from my Tibeto-Himálayan vocabularies; thus in full, mi-sa, woman, in Newári, sa-mi, girl, in Burmese and Khyeng, and sme, in Horpa, root mi, me, mankind, and sa, a feminine and diminutive sign. In short, the sa particle, like all others, may be prefix or suffix, and separate or blended. Hence mse, Georgian = sa-me, Manyak. With regard to the suffixed zhi, zi, or za, clearly = sa, it would seem as if mi were the sun or great fire, of which mi-sa is the diminutive, just as sá is the earth, or terrestrial globe, and sa-ch (cha = sa) earth, soil. See "Earth" in sequel.

Má-fa in Circassian — Fa servile. We shall presently see it usurping the place of the root.

Mé in Tibetan
Mé in Limbu
Mé in Serpa
Mé in Murmi
Mé in Kolun
Mhé in Magor
Mi in Lepcha
Mi in Kiránti
Mi in Newári
Mi in Gúrúng
Mi in Sunwár
Mi in Burmese
Mi in Khyeng
Mi in Moitai
Mi-ung in Maplu
Ma-i in Kámi
Mha-i in Kumi

These abundant instances from the Mongolian series plainly prove the root in the Caucasian series, and they show that root precisely such in every phase (mi, mé, má) as it is seen in the Caucasian series. We thus securely proceed to the serviles or rather servile, and this the Manyak word, below, gives in the primitive state, unaltered by blending or by euphony. We are therefore certified as to its various altered forms (zhi, zá, sé) in the Caucasian series. Observe also in the Mongolian series that all the tongues which use the mi root in the sense of man have mé instead of mi for fire.

Fá-i in Khamti
Fá-i in Tai
Fo in Kong

Turn to ma-fá, supra, and note again how the servile supersedes the root, as in zi for mi, fire. So also Tibetan ba for Circassian bsa, voce cow, and Anamese di for Dido bi, voce skin; the last so decisively proved by the Murmi form of the word wherein root and servile both appear, di-bi. Thus the Circassian word ma-fa supplements and expounds the Tai and Khámti word fa-i; and this the Manyak word sameh supplements and expounds the Georgian word msé and its Suanic and Absné equivalents. The languages must have a deep and radical affinity which can thus be made mutually to illustrate each other.

Mé-n in Dhimáli
Meh in Takpa
Meh in Thochu

Return to the simple root again.

Sa-meh in Manyak
Sa-mi in Sák

Here we have the sa particle above cited in its pure unaltered state. The Georgian msé shows it transposed and blended.

E'-mé in Abor
Ti-mi in Gyárúng
U-ma in Horpa
Um-ma in Aka

Timi recurs to the mi form of the root, with the inseparable Gyárúng prefix (ta) harmonised in its vowel, ú servile, like é, in é-mé. These last words of the fire series afford excellent illustration of the wide scope of servile adjuncts.

Day.—Di-ni in Tshettshentsh

Di is the da prefix harmonised in its vowel to that of the root ni.

D-én, Dé-n in Ingush

Den shows the above prefix conjunct, and the ni root altered to né, become én per metastasin. Or, if we read dé-n, then the particle takes the harmonised vowel of the root which is absorbed, as in din for di-ni, below.

Ki-ni in Kasi Kamak

Has the ka prefix harmonised in its vowel to ni root.

Ki-na in Makash

Means to-day. Ki, as above. Na, à new phases of the root, as ma for mi, fire.

Di-ni in Magar Di-ni in Gúrúng Di-ni in Bódó	Tally exactly, root and servile, with the Tshettshentsh word, and similarly analysed of course.
D-in in Khas	Tallies with the den instance.
Ka-ni in Kumi	Means day and sun.
Ka-nhi in Khyeng Ko-ni in Kolun gNa in Hórpa	Means sun. The roots for sun and day run into each other to a great extent. Nhi, vel ni, vel ná, is the root.
Si-ni in Singpho	Si servile is the sa particle with harmonised vowel.
Nam-sin in Súnwár	Compare nam-kha, voce sky. Sin for si-ni is like din for dini, ni being the root.
Sak-ni in Lepcha	Sak, like nam, is a servile or particule mort;* not, however, so utterly dead that its radical sense of "sun" cannot be recovered.
Nhi in Newári	Shows the root again, free of all adjuncts, but varied by an aspirate, as khá for ká, voce sky; mhé for mé, voce fire.
Né in Burmese Ni in Mrú Ni-n in Koreng taNi-n in Mrú	Means "sun." Day, sun, and sky run into each other perpetually.
Ná in Súnwár	
Na-m in Limbu Na-m in Kiránti	Compare nam-kha, voce sky; mean sun or parent (ma) of day (na); or, "m" being servile, na = ni, will be sun vel day.
Ni-mo in Serpa	Means day and sun.
Ni-bha in Newári	Means sun.
Nhi-ga in Newári Ka-nhé in Newári Ba-ha-ni in Newári Ha-ni in Newári Tha-ni in Newári	Mean respectively to-morrow and yesterday, evening, then, and to-day, and are most valuable exponents of the function of the particles as well as of the flexibility of the roots nhi, nhé, ni, being as surely phases of one root as mhe, mé, ma, mi are, voce fire.
Má-né-k in Burmese	Means morning, from the roots ma, mother, and né, day, with the articular k suffix, as in kha-k, sky. The Chinese in like manner name the day the sun's son. Or the prefix ma may be a servile as in the next word.
Ma-ní in Kámi	The meaning here being simply day, from the root ní, ma must be a servile, no more affecting the sense of the root than the ka, da, and sa prefixes in Dini, Kani, and Sini.
Nyima in Tibetan	Here the ma particle becomes a suffix, and, as before, without touching the sense of the root.
Nyi-m in Lepcha	Ma suffix conjunct = ma in the preceding word. Seems conjunct in tsari chim, voce water.
Na-ni in Dhimáli	Means then. Na, servile.

* Observe therefore that what is said of the universal vitality of all the particles of these tongues, voce dog, is only true in the comprehensive view of the languages.

Nyi-ti-ma* in Dhimáli	Ti and ma, both servile differential. For ma suffix, see chi-m, voce water, si-ma, voce tree, &c. For ti suffix, see purti, voce bird, bi-t, voce cow, &c.
Snyi in Gyárúng	Sa prefix, conjunct.
Pish-nyi in Gyárúng Sos-nyi in Gyárúng	Mean respectively to-day and yesterday.
Night.—Ak-sá in Osetic	Ak servile as in akra, voce horn. Sa root = sha, Tibetan.
K'shé-r in Armenian	K prefix = ak, and the final r, the common ra particle, conjunct.
Séri in Mingrelian	Ri suffix, servile = r in ksher. See Supplement.
T'shá-n in Tibetan	Initial t' and final n serviles.
Ché-n, spoken Tibetan	Final n servile.
Kú-sén Sén-dik } in Lepcha	Kú prefix and dik suffix serviles. Sé root.
Sén-li in Takpa	Li servile, as in ché-li, Georgian, voce hand, and kué-li, Surawár, voce hand.
Chá-i in Chinese Cha-i in Buret	Tally exactly with the spoken Tibetan.
Summer.—Ach-ké in Mizjeji	Ach = cha, per metastasin. Ké servile.
Chá-ko in Tushi	Kó servile, like ké and ká. For vocalic changes, see "dog."
Cha-r-ka Chi-d-ka } in Tibetan	Mean spring. Medial r and d serviles, for which see the Supplement of this paper.
Chi-a in Chinese	Final a servile.
Chá-ko in Dhimáli Sá-ko in Dhimáli	Cha is hot and sá summer.† Yet the adjective and substantive are really but one word.
Chá-n-gu-la in Newári	"The hot months." Lá means month, and gu is a servile = ka, ko, supra.
Sun.—bShá in Mingrelian Shá in Tushi.	
Ta-chán in Tushi	Means day. Final n, servile as in the following words.
Sha-n in Bódó Sa-n in Gáró	N servile, as in the prior word and subsequent one.
Sá-ne in Dhimáli	Means sunshine.
Sá-cha-k in Lepcha	Sá-chá, sing, song, repetition of the root. K, articular servile.
Moon.—Twai in Suanic = Tá-va-i	Compare tagalan Ta-vo and Bugis tau, meaning man, for proof of the wide prevalence of disjunct and conjunct styles. Final i, servile.

* Mani compare with nyima and nyitima afford further illustrations of the rule of transposition already illustrated from the msé and sameh instance, voce fire, as well as from the misa and sami sample, voce man. In fact, no law of these languages can be more certain than this of transposition, passing frequently into substitution (of servile for root), of which also we have seen various instances. The rationale is that every element is, in general, equally available in a primary or secondary sense, though there will of course be exceptions if the view be narrowed to one or two of the tongues, and more especially if these be regarded merely in statu quo.

† Compare Malay cha-bi and Ende sa, meaning pepper. Sense, sound, and system seem to tally with ours, the added or omitted servile and the change of root!!

Twé in Georgian
mTwá-ré in Georgian — Ré servile, the common ra suffix.
Twó in Newári — Epithet from colour, white.
Dú-va in Tibetan
Dú-u in Lhópa
Tú in Tai
Tú-li in Dhimáli — Li servile, as in cheli, sen-li, supra.

Earth.—T'shé-do in Dido — Initial t', servile, and do suffix. For the suffix see remarks in Supplement.
T'shi in Georgian
T'shí-git in Osetic — Initial t', the common ta particle; git, doubtful.
T'shi-git in Dugoian
T'sé in Georgian.

Sá-ch in Osetic — Ch suffix, a phase of the diminutive particle cha, sa.
Sé-ch in Osetic — Sa, the root, is *the* earth. Sach, earth, soil, a little of.
Mit-za in Georgian — Mi-t, double servile, modified like git.
Mi-sá in Andi — Mi and mu are indubitable serviles, sá being the root. They serve excellently to show how these particles attach to the roots. The mi prefix is very common in the Magar tongue, as mi-rong, misya-ros, &c.
Mu-sá in Akush
Di-chá in Mingrelian — Chá, the root, tallies exactly with Newári. Di is the common da prefix.
M'shá in Hórpa — K' is the ka particle conjunct, as in k'mari, k'li, k'anak, &c. &c.
Ha-sá in Sóntál — Ha servile, or a synonymous root.
Séh in Gyárúng
Sá in Tibetan — These numerous samples from the Mongolian tongues plainly demonstrate the root of the Caucasian words as before remarked in reference to the fire series.
Sá in Lhópa
Sáh in Takpa
Chá in Newári

Kat-ché in Karen — Compare kat-shú, voce hand, and observe that the form is identical in the Caucasian and Mongolian sample (ándi and plé). We have here the very same compound servile (ka-ta) similarly employed (prefix). Such perfect coincidence of all the elements of speech could result only from identity of origin and family unity.

Salt.—T'shé-a in Kubitsh — The word is radically the same as that for earth, as proved by the Osetic and Wogul terms. The prefix also is the same, and hence a suffix is required to difference the senses. It is thus we learn the real function of the serviles. See note, voce ego = homo.

Za-ch in Osetic — See Earth.
Se-ch in Wogal
D'zé in Akush,
Zi-o in Dido

Dé-sé in Dhimáli — Comparing this word with the Akush d'sé, we see the equivalency of the conjunct and disjunct serviles.
Dé in Kolun,

T'si in Khyeng
T'sá in Takpa
T'sha in Tibetan
Shá in Burmese

Wi-shá in Mrú — Wi = water? sha = salt. The salt procured from water. Else wi = bi, the common servile.

Chá-chá in Gyárúng — Root repeated as in ka-ká, voce sky.
Chhá in Lhópa
Chhá in Serpa
Chi in Newári
Chhé in Manyak
Chhá in Horpa
Chhé in Gyárúng — This aspirate ch is equivalent to the Tibetan and Kabitsh tsh.

Sú-ng in Sák
Syú-ng in Bódó — Final nasal servile. Intercalate y, very common as ni, nyi, voce day. Khi, khyi, voce dog.

Dab-sú-n in Mantchu
Da-ba-sú in Mongol — We cannot doubt that sú is here the root. Da-ba, therefore, are servile prefixes, though the existence of such has been denied to these tongues.

River.—O'r in Osetic — O', ú, the root, r servile.
Hor in Avar — The same aspirated.
Or-(kyuré) in Akush — For Kyúré see on to "rain."
Wá-ran in Osetic — Means rain. Wá root; ran servile. See Supplement.
sg-Wá in Georgian — Means a lake; wá the root.
O' in Sák — O' is the nude root. O'ng the same, with the common nasal addition.
O'ng in Lepcha
U'-(sú) in Sokpa — U', another phase of the water root. For sú see on.
Wá in Newári — Same as ú; means water.
Ha-wá, K'wá in Kámi — Prefixes h and k servile.
A'ú in Mrú — Unites the ó and ú roots.
Wá-i in Dhimáli — Means rain.
Hra in Hórpa — Hra = ho-ra, ho-r, with the vowel of the root absorbed as in msé, voce fire, &c.
Hyúng in Serpa — Compound of yú and ong, synonymous roots.
O'ng-kyong — Compound of kyú (see rain) and óng, supra.
Wó-hóng in Limbu
Khyóng in Lau
Khwóng in Gúrúng
Khyong in Burmese — Obvious compounds from the precedent elements. River, rain, water, so run into each other that no justice could be done to the real synonyms by technical separation.

Rain.—Kú-a, Kwá in Abassian
(Or) Kyú-ré in Akush — For ré suffix see the Supplement. "Or" disposed of above. Kyu is ku with the intercalate y as in nyi for ni and khyi for khi.
Kú-i, Kwi, in Múrmi
Kyú in Gúrúng
Li-kú in Súnwár — Li may be a root = sky, and then liku is sky water, or it may be the li servile.
Khu-(si) in Newári — Compound of two synonyms Abassian kú and Kubitsh si! For si, apart, see on.

Lake.—D'zo in Armenian
T'so in Tibetan
Water.—Dú in Ingush
Dó-ú in Armenian
Dú-n, dó-n, in Osetic
Dú-í in Singpho
Dó-í in Bódó
Do-i in Gáró
Dá in Sóntál
Dá in Moasi
Dí in Magar
Tú-í in Khyeng
Tú-í in Kámi
Tú-í in Mrú
Chi in Mizjiji

Voce "dog." We have summarised the changes to which the elements of words are liable when taken singly or when a single element constitutes a word: we may here take occasion of the great water root (or of available space, rather) to summarise the changes those elements are liable to in conjunction, or when more than one goes to the composition of a word. They are
1st. By reiteration, as ká-ká, voce sky, chá-chá, voce salt.
2d. By cumulation, as na-ma, si-ni, voce day, i-sé-na, voce he.
3d. By contraction, as nt-sin, voce water; bb-sé, voce tongue; msé, voce fire.
4th. By permutation (euphonic of vowels and consonants), as kach-chur for katas kyur, voce sour.
5th. By transposition, as mim-ma and mi-sa, versus sa-mi, and s-mé, voce man.
6th. By substitution, as fa for ma, voce fire, di for bi, voce skin.

Shi-n in Kubitsh
Shi-n in Kasikumak
Shé-n in Akush
pShi in Tsherkesik
dZók in Absné
T'cha-ri in Mingrelian

Final n servile. This is easily said by way of disposing of an inconvenient particle. But I appeal to the uniform tenor of the whole of my paper for my proofs.

Chi-m in Tshari

M conjunct, ma suffix, as in Lepcha, nyim, voce day, and in Mrú sham, voce hair.

Sé in Altekesek

Often cited with the dú suffix as is dzé in Absne. See remarks on tshe-do, voce earth.

Chi in Gáró
Chi in Dhimáli

Has the inseparable ta prefix harmonised in its vowel.
The same prefix conjunct.

Ti-chi in Gyárúng

Initial m and final n serviles.

T'ché in Mopla
mChi-n in Jili

Means "spring." Observe that the dú suffix is frequently attached to Absné zé and Altekesek sé, though omitted here.

Cho-du-k in Mongol
I'-si-ng in Khyi

Compound of two synonymous roots.

Wé-si in Ugorian

N-t prefix, and n suffix, serviles, si being the root.

ntSin in Singpho

Chá-wa in Kiránti
Chá in Thochu
T'zú-n in Kubitsh
Shú-r in Armenian

Zú = sú = chú, the root.
R final, the common ra suffix, conjunct.

T-sú-en in Samoiede

Cited to illustrate tzú just remarked on; final en is metastatic ne, a servile.

Chhú in Tibetan
Chhú in Lhópa
Chhú-a in Limbu
Chhú-wá in Kiránti
Shú-i in Gyami
Sú in Anam
Sú in Túrki

Aspirate chh = ts and tsh by numerous examples, though the Tibetan alphabet has both letters.

U-sú in Sokpa

Chú-rá in Kalmak
Chó-dú-k in Mongol

Cow.—bSá in Circassian
Sá in Newári
Sá-lo in Sokpa
Sha-r in Mongol
Sha-r in Khyeng

Bá-shá in

Bá in Tibetan

Bi in Súnwár
Bi-t in Limbu
Bi-k in Lepcha

K-chú-g in Osetic
Má-shú in Bódó
Má-chú, spoken Tibetan
Dog.—Chó-í in Avar
Chó-i in Andi
Chó-i in Chansag
Chú-á in Akush

K-chú-d in Osetic

Shu-n in Armenian
Chó-i in Bódó
Chú in Magar
Chí-ta in Moasi
Sé-ta in Sóntál

Khá in Circassian
Kó-a in Kubitsh
Gwai in Dido
Gwi in Dugoric
Khí-á in Dhimáli
Khí-á in Limbu
Khí in Lhópa
Khi in Gúrúng
Khwá in Thochu
Khwé in Burmese
Khyi in Tibetan
Geu, gyú, in Chinese
Na gyú in Gúrúng
Ká in Hórpa
Ká-í in Gáró
Kou in Gyami
Kú in Sák

U and sú, are synonyms. U is, in fact, the basis of a whole series of words for water.

Mean rain. The ra suffix = dú, to which is added the articular k. Dú, however, may here be a root and synonym.

Turn to the Tibetan word, and mark how root and servile are commutable.

Lo, servile. La, li, ló, its phases; r, the common ra suffix.

Note how the surplus silent b of Circassian here becomes a regular prefix.

Takes up the servile b of the Circassian and makes root of it as already noted in various other instances.

K and g serviles; chu, root.
Má, feminine sign.
Má, as before.

Initial k and final d, serviles. The latter is the conjunct form of the da, du, do, suffix remarked on in the Supplement.

Ta, the common servile, which, like all others, may be prefixed or suffixed.

We may take occasion of the cycle of changes seen in this word to make a general remark: that homogeneousness and vitality belong to all the elements (roots and serviles) of words in these tongues is a very important truth, as well for the illustration of general philology as for the explanation of the extraordinary extent to which transposition and substitution among those radical and servile elements are carried. It is likewise true that these elements and the words resulting from them are less flexible and mutable than among the Arian tongues. But it is by no means generally or strictly true that "all the words are invariable." On the contrary, the words, whether consisting of monosyllable roots, or of such roots and their servile adjuncts, are constantly subjected to changes, which are clearly systematic, which belong alike to the radical and servile particles, and which may be summarised as follows:—

1st, by aspiration, as khi for ki.
2d, by change of vowel, ko, ku, ke, ka for ki.
3d, by intercalation of y, khyi for khi.
4th, by metastasis, ain for nai, voce ear, &c.

Ta-kwi in Mrú	Kwi root = Ku-i.
Kút-chik in Kurd Khí-cha in Newári Ko-chu in Kiranti Kú-chúng in Súnwár	These are compounds of the two preceding words—a sort of term very common in all countries wherein many tongues prevail.
Dog.—Húé in Chunsay Hwé in Tunglhu U-i in Kumi U-yo in spoken Tibetan	
Tree.—K-Cha-d in Osetic Ché in Mizjeji dSé-g in Circassian dSá in Lazic Sé-k in Suanic Shi in Gyárúng Si-ng in Moasi Shi-ng in Bódó Shi-ng in Dhimáli Shi-ng in Lhópa Si-ng in Magar	The root varies from chá to ché, and sa to sé, to si, to shi. The suffixes have occurred too often to call for further remark in this place.
Si-n-du in Gúrúng	Here is a Mongolian sample of the dú suffix, so frequent in the Caucasian series. Ka-n-du, ka-do-t, &c., voce foot, are further samples.
Sá-ng in Anam Si-ma in Newári T-sing in Mrú	Sá, si, the root, ut supra. Of ma suffix we have had samples in nhi-ti-ma, voce day, chi-m, voce water, cha-m, voce hair, &c.
Forest.—Dish-chá in Mingrelian Din-chá in Dhimáli	The Osetic chá = tree is clearly the basis of these two words for forest.
Bird.—Pú-r-ti in Andi	Compare ta-r-tí, a cap, ti-r-mi, a man, nyi-ti, day, of the Mongolian series, and the pú root will be easily apprehended.
Pét-tang in Avar	Tang, servile, is the ta particle with the common nasal addition. How common it is may be seen by consulting my Himálayan vocabulary. Pé is the root, borrowing the t from the servile suffix.
Pyé in Gyárúng	Pyé = pé. The frequent intercalation of y has been already noted in ni, nyi, khi, khyi, &c.
Pyá in Takpa. Byú in Tibetan Bú in Limbu Pho in Lepcha	Abstract the intercalate y, and the root reproduces that of the Andi pú-r-ti. = Andi pú.
Fish.—bZhéh in Circassian	Turn to the word for flesh, and you will see the differential function of the prefix b.
gZháh in Thochu	Initial g = b supra. These are merely the conjunct forms of the ba and ga prefixes. The conjunct and disjunct system of prefixed, as of infixed and postfixed serviles, prevail alike in the Caucasian and Mongolian tongues, as evidenced by this paper throughout; and the prevalence of both systems is another striking feature of that perfect analogy which pervades these tongues.
Di-shé in Magar	Di servile.

Flesh.—Zhéh in Abassian
Jé-chu in Suanic
Li-chá in Finnic — Li servile. Chá root.
Shá in Tibetan
Shá in Takpa
Ta-shá in Gyárúng
A-sá in Burmese — The prefix ta is as common in Gyárúng as is á in Lepcha and Burmese.

Egg.—Dú-khi in Akush — Du, Water? Khi, fowl.
To-khá in Gáró — To, blood, and kha, fowl.
Tou-chi in Gáró — Tou, fowl, and chi, blood.
Tou-dói in Bódó — Tou, fowl, and dói, water.
Tó-i in Khyeng
Dú-i in Mrú
Dú in Kámi
Tú-í in Dhimáli
U in Burmese — U, Burmese, meaning originally "water," is the root of all the other words, for which see "Water." The metaphorical and now only current sense of the word is even more singular than that of the preceding terms, amongst which the first is determined analogically. The literal sense of ú is lost in Burmese, like mi for man.

Ear.—Ná in Armenian.
Ain in Tshari
Ain in Avar — Ain = ná-i, per metastasin.
Ná in Burmese
rNá in Tibetan
Ná in Singpho
Ná-vo in Lhópa
Né-ko in Limbu
Ná-ku in Karien
Ná-pé in Múrmi
Ná-bé in Gúrúng — Ná, the root, speaks for itself. Vo = bo = be = pe are phases of one and the same servile which = ko, ku. De Cörös calls these "articles," and, like all the serviles, they often perform the articular function of specification or emphasisation.
A-ga-ná in Kámi
Ká-né in Sák
A-kha-ná in Tankul
Ná-i-pong in Newári
Nhá-tong in Dhimáli — A rich fund of illustration of the serviles, the ná root being unquestionable. My Himálayan vocabulary affords numerous samples of the pong and tong suffixes, which are but pa and ta with the frequent nasal addition.

Hair.—T-shá-r in Kasikumak — Shá the root, t' prefix, and r suffix, as before in endless examples.
Sá-b in Avar
Sáb in Anzukh
Sá-b in Tshari — b final, the conjunct form of the ba, bo, suffix, so common in Tibetan.
Shá-ben in Burmese
Shá-m in Mrú — M servile = b, and constantly commutable with it.
Chá-m in Magar
A-shó-m in Lepcha — A prefix and m suffix, so common in Lepcha that almost every adjective in particular is thus formed.
A-shá-m in Kámi
Lú-sá-m in Khyeng
Lú-sá-m in Khyeng — Lú = man. Hence lusam is human hair.

Head.—Tá-wi in Georgian — Wi servile = bi, vi, infra, compare wi-shá, voce salt.
Tá-u in Khas.
Thá-bo in Múrmi — Aspirate form of root, with bo suffix.
Tá-ng in Kiranti — Ng servile, the customary nasal appendage often superseded to other serviles.
Thá-gek in Limbu — Gek servile. Compare git in Tshigit, voce earth.
Thau in Gyami — Aspirate root as in Murmi.

Ka-taú in Mou	Ka, the common prefix. Note that, in general, a servile may be known by the absence of accent, or of broad vowel where writing is used.
Káh. A-káh in Absnó	A servile, as in a-shom, a-sa, &c.
Za-ká in Altekesek	Za servile, the sa prefix in its usual Caucasian phase.
A-ká in Tangkul Ká-ng in Burmese Da ká-m in Gúró	Ng servile. Prefix da and suffix m, serviles.
K-ra in Gúrúng	Compare hra for hora, mse for me-se. So kra for ká-ra, the ra suffix absorbing the vowel of the root.
Kho-ro in Bódó	Ro servile with harmonised vowel.
Horn or *Bone.*— Ra-k-ka in Tsari	Ra root, ka servile adds k to it.
R-ka in Georgian	Servile ka absorbs the vowel of the root rá.
Rá-g-s in Lettic	G and s servile.
Rú-g in Slavie	G servile.
Ak-rá in Lazic	Ak servile as in ak-sa. It is the ka suffix changed per metastasin.
Rá, and Rú in Tibetan	Pure root, of which rá, rú, ró, ré, are the phases.
Rá-jo Rú-ko spoken ditto	Jo servile, and ka also, differential addenda.
Rú-k in Thochu A-ro in Rukheng	K final, conjunct form of ka suffix = prefixed k' in ak, which itself is merely metastatic ka.
Rou in Lhópa	
Ré-ra in Hórpa De-réng in Sóntál	Rá servile, or sing-song repetition of root. Dé servile, the da particle harmonised to vowel of root.
Am-rá in Sák	"Am" servile, metastatic ma.
A-ro-ng in Lepcha	A prefix, and ng suffix, serviles.
Rú in Gúrúng	Pure root.
Ró-s, Rá-ng in Magar	The roots for horn and bone are constantly the same, both in the Caucasian and Mongolian tongues. The senses are sometimes distinguished by an additional particle, as in Magar, which uses the prefix mi = human to demark bone. Just such is the form in lusan, voce hair.
Bone.—tLú-sa in Dido Lo-t in Shan	The root is lú, which is really only a varied pronunciation of Tibetan rú. But note how the servile t stands equally as prefix and suffix, just as does the servile r, voce stone.
Tsi-zyú in Suanic	Tsi = magar mi, just remarked on; zyá root, compare lusan, voce hair.
Gyó in Burmese Guro in Súnwár	Ró servile.
Mouth.—Mó-lé in Kubitsh	Mó the root, lé servile.
Mú-ra in Limbu	Mú the root; rú servile.
Mú-r in Khoibu	The same with ra conjunct.
Mhú-tu in Newári	Mhú, aspirate form of root, as mhé for mé, fire; nhi for ni, day, &c., &c.

Tooth.—dZéh in Circassian — D servile.
Zá-vi in Avar
Sí-bi in Lesgian
T-shi in Chinese — Z = s. Observe that in the Mongolian samples the conjunct form is used, swi, swá.
Só in Lhópa — T' servile = d Circassian.
Wá in Newári
S-wá in Murmi
S-wé in Thochu
Ti-swi in Gyárúng — Ti, the usual Gyárúng prefix harmonised to the root.
Th-wá in Burmese — Th servile.
Só in Tibetan
Só in Serpa
A-tha-wá in Sák — Repeats the Burmese prefix with an additional one.
Sá-k in Gúrúng
Sya-k in Magar — K servile, the *quasi* article so often noticed.
Si-tong in Dhimáli — Tong is the ta suffix, with the nasal addition before noted.
Syó in Hórpa — Intercalate y, as in khyi for khi, voce dog; nha for na, voce ear.

Horse.—t'Shé in Circassian
A-sé in Tuwash
z-Ché-ni in Georgian
Shé, sé in Tibetan
Shé in Khyeng
Sá in Sák
Sá-la in Newári — Sá, changing to sé, is the root, the aspiration being neutral as to sense. Thus we have mhe or me, nhé or né, khi or ki, &c.
Sá-dom in Sóntál — Dom, suffix, is the sexual sign.

Foot.—Pé-ché, Pé-chi in Georgian — Note the marvellous correspondence of this word with its Mantchu equivalent, roots and serviles tallying, as in katshu, voce hand.
Pé-t-ché in Mantchu
Po-g in Lesgian
Pa-g in Chunsag
Pa-g in Anzukh
Pa-g in Khas
Pá-li in Newári
Bhá-lé in Gúrúng
Bá-lé in Múrmi
T'shé-ka in Andi
Chhé in Horpa
Ché-n in Anam
Lip-ché in Manyak
Lap-ché in Manyak = hand
Chap-lap in Gáró
Chhá in Gyami — The manner in which the words for hand and foot run into each other, *alike in the Mongolian and in the Circassian* series, is truly remarkable, so much so that it is difficult to distinguish the terms. The Georgian pé-ché, like the Mantchu pét-ché, in fact, blends the more special names for the lower and upper members, and so do the Manyak lipché and lapché, the latter word meaning hand, whilst chéli, hand, in Georgian, has the ché root of foot, with li servile.
Ká-ch in Osetic
Ko-ch in Tshetshentsh
Ko-g in Ingush
Ko-g, ko-ek, kwek in y, Mizjeji — Ká, kó, is the root in all these words and in the next one. Yet the two latter mean hand—a sufficient confirmation of what just said!
Kó-da in Kabitsh — For dá suffix, see remarks on tshedá, voce earth, and compare ka-do and ka-do-t, infra.
Kó-ng in Khyi
Ka-ng in Tibetan — Final ng servile, as in many prior instances.

Ká-ng-lep in Lhópa
Ká-n-du in Ple
Ká-do-t in Mon
Ká-do in Pasuko
Kó in Hórpa
A-kho in Kámi
Khó-khó-i in Dhimáli

Lep may be servile, or it may be the radical lip, lap, of lipché, lapché, &c.
Dú servile, also the annectant n.
Mean leg, yet have indubitably the same root as the foregone, the do being servile, as in tshedo, voce earth.
The nude root, vast numbers of such words occur in all the tongues alike.
A servile; kho, the mere aspirate phase of ko.
Root repeated, as in ká-ká, sky; cho-cho, hot, &c.

Khyé in Burmese
Khau in Tunglhu
Khú-t in Khoibu
Khú-t in Khas
Khá-ng in Newári
Tá-i in Kubitsh
Tá-ra in Moasi
A-tá-r in Sák
Tá-mi in Gyárúng
Ka-tá in Sóntál

Means leg.

Ra, the common suffix.
Á, the servile, so frequent in Lepcha and Burmese; r = ra.
Mi, servile, means human.
Ta root. Ka, the common prefix.

Hand.—Ká-r in Tshari
Kú-ch in Osetic
Kwé-r in Anzug
Ká-r in Sokpa
Gá-r in Mongol
Ká in Kumi
A-ká in Kámi
Ta-kú in Sák
Kwé-li in Súnwár
Kat-shú in Andi
Kat-shú in Plé
Ché-li in Georgian
Ché in Mingrelian
Shi in Suanic
Shú in Gyami
Pat-shu in Pusako
Chú-a-sé in Ple

R servile, conjunct ra, as in the following words.
Ch servile; compare sé-ch, &c.
R final servile. Kú-er, observe here that kú, ká, gá, is the root throughout the whole series, and note the identity of the word in Súnwár and Anzak with reference to the alleged Greek etymon of kwér.
The pure root.
Á and ta prefixes, serviles.
Li servile, as in ché-li, Georgian for hand. The word, therefore, is identically anzug, li being = r.
Shú, the root. Kat, a double servile; ka-ta, a marvellous accord!
Such samples leave no doubt as to li being a servile.

Pat, double servile, pa-ta.
Compound of Andi shú and Mingrelian ché!!

Blood.—T'shá, shá in Absné
Shá in Manyak
Sáh in Thochu
Séh in Hórpa
Syé in Gyami
Ta-shi in Gyárúng

Compare the conjunct servile in the Absné word, and observe that the so-called monosyllabic and polysyllabic character of languages has been made to rest on this frail foundation!

Thú in Osetic Thwé in Burmese Thé in Sák	Observe that the change of root from thú to thwé is exactly similar to that of kú to kwé, voce hand. This identity of plan prevailing throughout speaks trumpet-tongued for the truth of the affinity of races contended for.
Thé in Kasswi Thó-i in Gáró	
Ka-thi in Khyeng	Ka servile.
A-thi in Kámi	A servile.
Thá-k spoken Tibetan	K, the articular suffix.
Ĭ, é in Dido	
Hí-n in Andi	N servile.
Ĭ in Khyi	
Hí in Newári	
Hí-t in Kong	T' servile.
Hí-ki in Dhimáli	Ki servile, the ka suffix harmonised.
Hí in Khoibu	
Hí in Marúng	
Hyú in Magar	
Zí in Tshetshentsh	
Zí in Ingush	
Zí in Mezjiji	
Ŭ-sí in Súnwár	Ŭ servile as in ú-má, voce fire.
Chí in Gáró	
A-zí in Champhang	
A-zyé in Maram	
Bí, pí in Avar	
Ví in Lepcha	
Wí in Mrú	
Skin.—fFé in Circassian	
t'Ché-bi in Mingrelian	
Ga-shi in Armenian	
Pé in Kámi	
Pí in Chinese	
Fí in Gyami	
Pí in Mrú	
Ché-gú in Newári	Gú servile, as in chan-gú, hot.
Pá-ko in Lhópa	
Pa-g in Tibetan	
Skin.—Ká-ni in Georgian	Ka is the root passim. Ni and n, two phases of the same servile.
Ka-n in Suanic	The "m" in kampa, a euphonic copula with reference to the labial of the root.
Kám-pa in Lhópa	Pa, servile, the common ba, pa suffix of Tibetan.
Bi-k in Dido	Here is another sample of the substitution of servile for root, as fá for má, voce fire, &c.
Di-bi in Murmi	
Di in Anam	
Bi-gur in Bódó	Gu-ra, double servile. See remarks, voce ego = homo.
Tongue.—Bb sé in Circassian	These repeated serviles bear direct reference to the very numerous senses of the sé root, and thus we learn the differential function of the serviles. See remarks, voce man.
rdZhé in Tibetan	
Shé in Chinese	
Stone.—Dó-r in Osetic	Note again how the suffixed and prefixed serviles tally, the root (dó) being here indubitable. So Tsari chi-m and Jili m-chi, voce water.
rDó in Tibetan	

Dóh in Lhópa Dòh in Serpa Dún-ga in Khas	Ga suffix, and annectant n, both servile.
Ló-di in Georgian Lú-n in Khyeng Lú-ng in Limbu Ta-lú-n in Sák Ló-ng in Lepcha Ka-lú-n in Kámi	Root is ló, lú. The serviles have been too frequently remarked on to need repetition. But note well how congruous they are, ab initio usque ad finem !
Great.—Di-di in Georgian Di-di in Mingrelian Di in Tai.	Root repeated as in cho-cho, pyé-pyé, &c., &c.
Gé-dé-t in Bódó Dá in Kuanchua Dá-i in Anam Dá in Plé	*Gé, the gá prefix euphonised; t, conjunct ta.* I final servile.
ta-Dhí in Newári	Ta, the common prefix, and dhi, the aspirate form of the root, as mhé for mé, &c.
Three.—Sami in Georgian Sami in Mingrelian Jum in Lazic. Sum, shum, sam, song, san, tham, tum, in all the Tibeto-Himálayan and Indo-Chinese tongues	
Four.—pSí in Circassian pShi in Abassian bZhi in Tibetan Zhi in Lhópa Zhyi in Serpa	Both root and servile are identical in all five words; another marvellous instance of concord, capable, like the rest, of only one explanation.
Si, Si-kú in Gyami	Intercalate y, as in the nouns. Kú, a servile.
T'si in Siamese T'sé in Shan	T' servile, the common ta particle, conjunct.
Sí in Tai	The nude root.
Five.—Chú-ba in Circassian Pat-chú in Talien	Chú, the root. Pat, a double servile, as in the Pasuko word for hand.
Eight.—Yat-sh in Tshetshentsh Yat-sh in Limbu	Final sh' servile. Another beautiful sample of affinity.
g-Yet in Takpa	G servile = v, d, p, below.
Ka-yá in Kámi Ba-yá in Tangus Ri-yá-t in Mrú Re-yá in Kiranti Yó in Súnwár	Yá, the root throughout the whole series, with the common vocalic changes.
Or-yét in Gyárúng	Or servile, in Gyárúng.
Rwa in Georgian Rú-a in Mingrelian Ré-ya in Kiranti p-Ré in Murmi Ryië in Hórpa Rá-nit in Mrú	Rá, rú, ré, is the root beyond doubt, though the Kiránti sample under both this and the preceding head shows how readily roots become serviles, and *vice-versâ*.

Nine.—bGú in Circassian	Note again the wonderful accord of root and servile.
dGú in Tibetan	
rGú-ré in Thochu	The ra particle here appears both as prefix and suffix.
Gú-bi in Manyak	Bi servile, as in Circassian.
Gúh in Súnwár	The pure root.
Gú-n in Newári	N final, servile.
Gó in Hórpa	Nude root again.
Kan-gú in Gyúrúng	Kan, double servile, ka-na = kam in kampa, voce skin.
Ten.—pShé-n in Circassian	Sá, chá, is the root with the usual cycle of changes by aspiration and by alteration of the vowel; and to the root, moreover, are added the usual variety of servile appendages in some cases, whilst in others we have the nude root. All this is perfectly conformable to what has been seen in the nouns, and it follows, therefore, that the peculiarities commonly ascribed to the numbers do not really exist. The nature of the error, as derived from the examination of a few only of these tongues, may be appreciated by adverting to the remarks in the next paper on the differences presented to all *such* observations.
Zhé-ba in Abassian	
Swá-ba in Circassian = Sú-a	
bChú in Tibetan	
tSha-i in Burmese	
hSú in Kámi	
Chi in Gúró	
ta-Chi in Gyúrúng	
Shi in Chinese	
Sha-i in Tangus	
ta-Shi in Tunghlhu	
Sí-sú in Sák	
t-Sa-u in Talien	
p-Chi in Takpa	
Chú in Serpa	
Chá in Gúrúng	
Chá in Lhópa	
Sá-n-ho in Newári	
Chi-chi-bi in Manyak	Root repeated with ba suffix harmonised and *serial* as in Circassian. This feature of the numeral serviles is of frequent occurrence. See Essay on Bódó and Dhimáli for two good samples.

P.S.—The above paper has been considerably augmented in number of vocables, and in the analysis of them, since it was first presented to the Society, though not to the extent I had hoped and purposed if health had not failed me. If, however, the principles of the analysis (sufficiently revealed in their application and in the observations of this and the following paper) be sound, they may be easily carried as much further as is desired.

With regard to the soundness of those principles, I am fully prepared for censure of the presumption of attempting to analyse unknown tongues; prepared also to see many errors of detail detected, to afford apparent justification of such censure.

I can but solicit the particular attention of the candid to the perfect uniformity of the phenomena presented by the vocables, whether nouns, pronouns, or numerals, from the very beginning to the very end of my paper, and ask how this is to be explained, except upon those principles which a comparison of the numerous Himálayan tongues with each other and with that of Tibet led me first to detect, and which my opportunities of novel exploration beyond the Himálaya afforded me great advantages for testing the more

extended application of? I have to regret that my investigations have been interrupted just when they were beginning to produce their ripest fruit, and to solicit the Society's favourable construction of what is now submitted as it is, rather than trust to an uncertain future for its improvement.

Supplement to the paper on the Mongolian Affinities of the Caucasians.

Since the above paper was hastily written I have obtained through the courteous aid of our Secretary the loan of the Mithridates and Asia Polyglotta. The ampler stock of Caucasian and Mongolian vocables thus placed within my reach (and illustrated too by occasional analytical notices) has needed only to be compared with my own large stores from the Himálaya, Tibet, Sifán, Indo-China, and Tamúlian India, to satisfy me that the widest assumed scope of allophylian affinities might be placed on an unassailable basis. Again, a renewed reference to well-known works* has equally satisfied me that nothing short of a careful analytical demonstration would be accepted after the frequent insufficiently supported assertions and more or less superficial investigations that have been given to the world, even Dr. Latham's splendid panoramic view of the subject, though in fact well grounded on the opinions at least of numerous scholars,† and fortified, moreover, by the adduction of some special evidence‡ either priorly overlooked or only recently accessible, having met with a cold, not to say a scoffing, reception.§

I therefore beg permission to withhold for the present the comparative list of Caucasian and Mongolian vocables which I had prepared to accompany the above paper on the resemblance of Circassian and Gyárung pronouns, pledging myself

* Prichard, III. 13, *et seq.*; IV. 384 *et seq.* Report of the British Association for 1850, p. 174, *et seq.* Madras Journal for July 1837, and January, June, 1850.

† Klaproth, Dobrosky, Rask, Rolt, Norris, &c., &c.

‡ Brown's Indo-Chinese Vocabularies, and Rosen's Caucasian Researches.

§ "Edinburgh Review." Article, Bopp's Grammar.

that that list shall ere long be submitted to the Society, so amplified and analysed as to enable the scholar both to test and to extend the analogies sampled by the list.*

In the meanwhile, and with reference to the above paper, I subjoin some farther explanations which will not only serve to illustrate more fully its special topic (pronouns), but to show how continued attention to the general topic teems with fresh proofs of the soundness of the opinion that Caucasus is essentially Tartaric, and that the widest sense of the word Tartaric is the truest.

Klaproth, who was too well informed on the subject to insist on the Arian origin of the Caucasians generally, yet contended that the Osi were Indo-Germanic.

I shall soon be able, I think, to show that the elements and the mechanism of words in the Osetic tongue are purely Tartar, and that the very name of the race (O-si†), like that of the Georgians (Swan), proves their Tartaric progeniture, these names being significant, and significant in the special mode in use among the Tartar races. How Bopp could contend for the Arian origin of a race styling themselves Swan, and go to Sanscrit for Georgian etymologies, I am the more surprised, as swan in Sanscrit means dog, and we can hardly suppose that the Georgians or any other people would call *themselves* dogs, though their neighbours might so compliment them. Not to travel, however, beyond pronouns, I may mention that I have a long list of Mongolian equivalents for the Caucasian pronouns, and that, for instance, the má root in all its phases (má, mí, mó, mú), and in both its senses (nominal and pronominal), will be exactly matched by a long series of Tartaric equivalents. Nor are the so-called inflections or declensional signs less Tartaric than the roots; for instance, í or ní for the genitive; an, ang, náng, for the dative case; the í being Tibetan, Tákpa, Hórpa, &c.; the ní, Mongol, Mantchú, Túrki, Bódó; the an or ang, nan or nang, Dhimáli, Túrki, Ouigúr, &c. Here is a sample:—

* This has been done, I hope tolerably effectually, in the list as it now stands.

† See the note in the sequel on words with the ó and sí roots, o-as, o-su-ri, o-zu-r-ka, &c.

Pronoun I.

	Ouigúr.	*Osetic.*
N.	Ma, ma-n	Ma, ma-n
G.	Ma-ni-ng	Ma-ni
D.	Ma-nang Máng-gé	Ma-nan

In Ouigúr the first na suffix is often dropped in the dative, and the second reiterated; and thus we have manggé for ma nang. Both changes are thoroughly consonant to the genius of these tongues, and are in perfect harmony with the alternative nominative form ma, or ma-n. The n final is here simply emphatic, and is the conjunct form of the na suffix. All these particles, in either their servile or radical character and function, may be used conjunctly and disjunctly, that is, with or without their vowel;* and all may be also augmented by various new elements or by reiteration, without affecting the sense in either case. Here are some samples of the disjunct and reiterated, or added ná, with one of these singular equivalents.

Pronouns I. Thou. He.

Tibetan	Na, nani	Khé, khéna	Klió, khóna
Esthonian	Ma, minna	Si, sinna	Tá, temma

We see here that the suffix má is equal to the suffix ná. So also is the suffix rá, which has been noticed as common, in form and function, to the Circassian and Gyárúng tongues, but which in fact has a wide and almost universal prevalence among these tongues, being attached like all the other serviles alike to pronouns, nouns, numerals, adverbs, and changing or dropping its vowel as well as taking the sur-suffix n, ng, without more alteration in its meaning than in the other cases of

* Here are some examples—k' ma-ri, man in Georgian, ka-mi, man in Kámi; mú-rú, man in Súnwár, m-rú man in Mrú (root, mi, ma, mu); m-za, fire in Absné, mi-za, fire in Avar (root mi); s-mé, girl in Horpa, sá mé, girl in Thunglhu, sa-mi, girl in Burmese (root mé, mi). Note also the vocalic changes of roots and of the servile ra in ma-ri and mú-rú-and m-rú; ka, servile of Georgian kmari, is dropped in Suanic maré, where again the servile ri becomes ré. In the Indo-Chinese tongues we have the ka prefix present and absent in this very word man, just as in the Caucasian, witness k' lun in kolun, being lun in Burmese. I may add l-ó-k in Tai and lé-g in Osetic, with the k vel g suffix (root, lú, ló, lé).

reiteration and elision and vocalic changes above illustrated in the pronominal roots and serviles, and in the nominal ones also, by the subjoined note.

In fact, such and much greater reiteration, cumulation, substitution and vocalic change, with concomitant contractions medial and final, affecting roots as well as serviles, are chief almost among the fundamental laws of these languages, and constitute the veil that has so long concealed their complete affinity. Who, for instance, would suppose namasini, or contractedly namsin, day, to be the same with ni, nyi, or nin? Show him, however, the intermediate forms nani, mani, and sini, and show him also this intercalate y and final n of the root, as well as this cumulation and these changes of the serviles, holding good in a great number of *other* instances, and you will carry him with you in this one and the rest, as I hope to do my readers by and by. ...

Here are some further pronominal illustrations of the ra suffix.

It attaches, as rá, to the first and second singular in Circassian, exclusively; to the second singular only in Gyárúng, as ré; to the third singular only in Mongol and Mantchú and Sokpo, as ré; to the third singular only in Gondi, as r; to the third plural only in Turki, as ré; to all three plurals, and to no singular in Rukheng, as ró; to the same in Burmese as dó (local difference and of pronunciation merely); to the first and third plural in Mongol as dá and dé respectively; to all three plurals in Takpa, and to them only, as rá; to all the persons singular and plural in Tibetan, as ráng, usually rendered by self; to the first and third plural in Ouigúr, as ár vel lár. The usual reading of olar, they, is o-lar, making lar a so-called plural sign. But if ol be "he," in Ouigúr and Turki, ol-ar must be "they." However, o is undoubtedly the root, as provable by numberless instances in the cognate tongues; and lá is an infix, and o-la-ra the true etymological analysis, as of the Turkish anlar and anlaré, the analysis is a-na-la-ra, á being here* the root (anggé, to him, a-ning, his), and na-la-ra, ser-

* The change of the root from ó to á in Turki and Ouigúr is continued in Mantchú, wherein it becomes í. Precisely in like manner we have mi, vel má vel mé, for five, and ni, vel na, vel né, for day, in Caucasus.

viles, whereof the first is the emphatic ná above illustrated; and ár, vel rá, vel lá-rá, the so-called plural sign or signs, though in my judgment it is to mistake the true genius and character of these tongues to give to any of their particles, except with extreme reserve, the attributes of strict grammar (declensional marks), or a precise independent signification such as self for ráng in Tibetan. Ráng is a compound of the rá and ang particles. The phases of the latter áre á, an, ạng, and the reflective or egoistic sense, such as it is (it is most like that of the Sanscrit swa), attaches, not to the compound ráng, but to the simple áng. In Bódó and Gáro and Hayu áng stands for the first personal pronoun; in Limbu and many other allied tongues it is the first possessive, in the form of á. In Tagala and Malayu á and áku represent the first personal, and ang is an articular prefix of the same drift. The first personal is an-ka in Kiranti and a-za in Osetic, prefix in all these instances, in others even of the same tongues it is a suffix;* but still, whether attached to pronouns, verbs, or nouns, and whether prefixed or postfixed or standing alone, as root or servile, it is apt to indicate a reflective character. This is the reason why it so constantly marks the possessive case, with or without a preposed particle; but if with one, usually the ná conjunct, which is only one phase, as ang-gé is another phase, of the repetition of itself; and this is also the reason why in so many of these tongues the áng suffix, when appended to verbs and their participles, designates the first person. Thus kazáng, I eat, kazángti, I who eat, I the eater, I eating, from the root zá, zó, in Gyárúng. Piré, give; pi-ráng or piráng-gé or piráng-né, give to me, in Limbú, from the root pi; davo, give, davóng, give to me, in Gyárúng, from the root va, vo. These forms are imperative. The indicative ones are similar, thus piré and dovo mean, you or he (quivis præter meipsum) gives; and piráng, dovong, I myself give, ang-né and ang-gé are equal, and are reiterations of the a, an, or ang particle.† Com-

* As ang is prefix or suffix, so is any other servile; for instance, the ká of anka, here cited; thus, k' mari, man in Georgian (mari in Suanic), and osurka, maid in Mingrelian (osuri in Lazic). See on to further note.

† In Sontal, Uraon, Ho, and Hayu, the ang becomes ing, and eng with the very same emphatic reiteration, viz., eng gna and ing ga.

pare ang-gé to me, in Turki and Ouigúr; and máng-gé to me in Ouigúr, with their equivalent má-nán in Osetic. Piré and Piráng show very pointedly that the reflective virtue resides not in the rá particle but in the áng particle. This case also exemplifies their conjunction. Má-náng is the disjunct form; máng, the conjunct; and máng-gé is the same, only more emphatic; máng, to me, máng-gé, to myself; and máng-né and máng-ré are both equivalents and emphasisers merely. So mini is mine; and mining-gé, my own, in Mongol and Mantchú; the náng becoming níng euphonically to harmonise with the mi root. And, by the way, we may here, as in all the other derivatives, note the forthcomingness of the widely prevalent mi root, though obsolete as a nominative in these two tongues, just as it is in the analogous sense of man (ego = homo plur. exem.) in Burmese, wherein, however, we similarly gather it from its derivatives, woman and child, mimma* and sa mi.

I have illustrated the pronominal and verbal uses of the rá particle, as well as explained its relation to rang. Here are some exemplifications of its nominal and other uses. I fear I shall weary the reader, but he must remember that what is true of this particle is true of all the particles; and that, whereas a confined view of the character and functions of this grand element of these tongues has led to very erroneous notions as to their general affinity, so a complete conception of the nature of the particles is the best guide to a just perception of that affinity. For instance, Rosen has dwelt on the unique character of the Circassian pronouns arising in good part out of the operation of the rá particle, and I, following him, have announced with reasonable surprise the fact that the same peculiarities are attached to the Gyárúng pronouns, whereas, in very truth, whatever he or I noticed in this respect as to the pronouns is equally true as to the nouns, adverbs, &c., and that not merely in the languages of the

* Compare Esthonian temma, supra, where suffix ma = emphatic na. All these tongues affect illiteration and consonantal as well as vocalic harmony to an extent quite perplexing, since each tongue has its fancies in this respect. Here má is a root.

Circassia and Gyárúng, but in every tongue from Caucasus to the Pacific. Here is the enumeration.

Ma-re, man, Suanic; ma-ri, man,* Georgian; ma-ro, man, Lepcha; mú-rú, man, Sunwár; m-rú, man, Mrú; ilé-ru, before, Turki; uz-ré, upon, Turki; herel-ri, man, Sontál.

Lan-ré, once, Tibetan; kyú-ré, river, Akúsh; thó-ré, to-morrow, Tibetan; wá-ran, rain, Osetic; mu-ran, river, Turki; mai-ran, arm, Mantchú; koöl-ron, child, Mongol; kho-rang, sky, Bódó; chák-reng, hand, Gáró; dí-rang, this, Serpa; dé-ring, to-day, Tibetan; ré-m-bú, man, Limbú; res-ga, where, Tibetan (samples of prefix); ús-rés, man, Gyárúng (sa added); rgu-re, nine, Manyak; ma-r, horse, spoken Chinese; ma-rhi, horse, Sokpa; gá-r, where, Tibetan; gá-rú, where, Tibetan; dé-r and dé-rú, there, Tibetan; ta-r-ti, cap, Gyárúng; ti-r-mi, man, Gyárúng; ok-ur, ox, Magyar; o-zu-r-ka, maid, Mingrelian (ka added, see note); o-sú-ri, maid, Lazic; u-er-ti, boy, Armenian; pu-r-ti, bird, Andi (ti added, the rati suffix); do-r, stone, Osetic; teng-er, sea, Magyar; sha-r, ox, Mongol; khor, river, Avar; kú-er, hand, Anzúg; ka-r, hand, Tshari; ka-r, hand, Sokpo.

We thus see that the ra particle changes its vowel to the

* I here omit the ka prefix, with full warrant from usage:

See prior note on kmari and klún; ka suffix in ozurka is the same thing and similarly omissible, witness osuri. Here ó is the root, = ú, meaning man, and it also takes the k prefix. Sú is the sa particle harmonised in its vowel to the root. It is a diminutive, so that o-sa, u-sa, or u-a-sa is child, and kusa is equally child. We have kusa and a-sa in Limbú, and u-a-sa in Aver, ú-s in Osetic, ú-as in Wogul, ú-er in Armenian; sa in its capacity of diminutive means woman as well as child when added to any root for man, as ú or mi; and hence Osetic ú-sá woman = mi-sa, Newári. Such and so concordant are *all* the elements. In Armenian uerti, child, erti vel rati being servile, it follows that the ú root for man may express juniors as well as adults, whilst the Gyárúng ús, man, and Osetic ús, woman, prove that the ú root expresses both sexes, meaning man-kind or the species man, and also that sa is not uniformly a diminutive but a synonym. This will be amply proved by and by, when the o-u-w and the sa, si, shi, roots for mankind are arrayed, and then it will be also seen that the name of the Osetic people is derived from two synonyms for man, and that, like tá-tá, or tshe-tshe-nsh, it is = Allemauni. The Caucasian puzzle as to us, ush, ushi, u-as, u-as-sa, u-er, o-su, o-zu, is solved by this explanation, and if we add the Murmi bú root for man (supra), we have the clue to the Caucasian bo-zo, bo-shi, bit-shi, bi-shi, for all which I have numerous Mongolian equivalents, thus po-zo in Pasuko, pu-sa in Karen, bu-cha in Tekpa, bi-sha and bi-shi in Bódó.

utmost (rá, ré, rí, ró, rú), takes the ang or other additional particle (ti, ka, sa), occupies the initial (res-ga), medial (pú-r-ti), or final (ka-r) position, or even both (r gú-re), with reference to the root, and lastly, blends itself with that root, dropping its vowel (gár), or stands apart, retaining its vowel (gá-rú); and all this without change or even modification of the meaning of the word as derived from the root further than a certain emphasising can be so termed, as kho-rang, *the* sky; ka-r, *the* hand.

Such elements of speech and all the serviles are essentially alike, can with little propriety be designated by our grammar terms or alleged to be conjugational or declensional marks, except with extreme caution. The essence of a grammatical rule or part of speech is generalisation; the essence of the function of these particles is the very opposite of specialisation; and thus it is that unlimited change of place and change of form belong to the latter, whilst nothing of the sort does or can belong to the former.

Of the habit of applying our grammatical terms to the elements of these tongues in central Asia without any apparent perception of their true character,* as noted in the south-eastern islands, I will give a sample from the Altaic group of languages.

The plurals of the Mantchú personal pronouns are thus stated and commented upon.

We.	*Ye.*	*They.*
Bé Mousé	Souwé	Tését.

To this statement of the pronouns it is added that bé, sou wé, and tését constitute the ordinary series; that mousé is a sample of the dualistic form, and that it is regularly derived from mou, I, by the addition of the plural sign sé. Now it is quite true that the existence of a dual or rather of an inclusive

* To prove this it suffices to advert to Vater's derivation of the Caucasian kar and kwer, hand, from χειρ, and Klaproth's of Waran rainm for بارلن and Márć from مرد. I shall give numerous Tartar equivalents for all three, and thus prove their roots to be respectively ka, wa, and ma, the ra, ré, and ran being serviles, or rather phases of one servile.

plural * is one of the characteristics of these tongues, and one that prevails very generally from the Pacific to Caucasus. But how it can be said that in the Mantchú tongue this inclusive plural is formed regularly from the singular mou by means of the plural sign sé, I cannot conceive, since a regular pluralising particle would be uniformly applied and wear one shape, whereas there is here in the three persons of the pronouns no vestige of such attributes in the sé particle. The ordinary "we" (bé) has no trace of this or other pluralising suffix; the ordinary "ye" (sou wé) has quite a different augment (wé); and, lastly, the third person shows the sé particle indeed, but with a foreign element or suffixed t (sét). Now surely a grammatical rule must have some identity of character, what it includes must be similar in form and application. But that in the Mantchú pronouns the plurals cannot be said to be regularly formed by the addition of sé, is self-apparent; and if we turn to any collated list of the pronouns of the Altaic tongues generally, we shall immediately perceive the same anomalies prevailing throughout this group of languages, and affecting both the form and the application of all the particles; the áng suffix, for instance, being at once a genitive and a dative sign in a single tongue (sanggé, of thee; manggé, to me, in Ouigúr), and also changing its form entirely in the same case (meaning, of me; sanggé, of thee) in that single tongue. Look again beyond the Altaic group and you will see the same anomalies. Everybody had noticed them in this or that instance, and I have on this account myself demurred to the use of the pronouns at all as a test of ethnic affinity. I am now aware that I was misled by the authority of great names, looking at these particles from a too grammatical point of view. We first make the particles grammatical, and then we declare them to be utterly anomalous; the facts being, that they are not strictly or uniformly grammatical, generally speaking, nor perhaps anywhere so, except as the result of

* This remarkable and arbitrary feature of a dual and two plurals I have already detected in the Kuswar, Hayu, and Kiranti tongues of the Himálaya, and in the Ho, Sontál, and Uraon tongues of Tamulian India. I need hardly add that the same peculiarity belongs to the Tagalan and Alforian languages, as well as the Altaic.

Arian influences (Tibetan, Newárese, cultivated Tamulian, and so in Caucasus); and that they obey their own law with perfect uniformity, and equally so when they attach to pronouns as to nouns and to verbs. That they are not strictly grammatical may be shown as well by their inconsistency with any intelligible conception of grammar,* as by the harmonious and simple elucidation they admit of according to their own norma loquendi or mechanism of speech.

Look, for instance, at the following explication of the Mantchú plurals above cited, or mouse, souwé, and tését. Mou-sé, we = I and thou; thus mou is the ma, mi, mo, root for I, obsolete as an ordinary nominative in this tongue, but found as such in most of the cognate series of tongues, and forthcoming even in Mantchú in all the oblique cases (mi-ni; mi-ninggé; mi-ndé); sé, again, is the sá, sé, sí, só root for thou, still extant as si in this tongue, as sé in Turki, as sá in Ouigúr, Finnic, and Esthonian, not to cite more instances from my ample store. Therefore mousé is beyond dispute a compound of two roots meaning I and thou. In like manner precisely is sou-wé, ye, a compound of the root above cited for thou, and of the o, ú, root for he; which latter, though obsolete in Mantchú, is extant in Turkí and in Ouigúr as o; in Magyar as óé or wé; in Circassian as úí or wí; in Garo as ú; in Dhimali, in Gyárúng, and in Thunglhu, as wá; in Newári, as wó, &c. &c. Sou-wé, ye, is therefore palpably a compound of the roots expressing thou and he; só changing to sou, as mó to mou, and óé to wé; the é moreover being a synonym of ó, and a phase of the í root, found alike in this very Mantchú tongue and in Circassian; so that the Magyar óé, Circassian úí, and Mantchú í, with other instances just cited, lead irresistibly to

* There should be, though there is not, a higher sort of grammar capable of reconciling Tartaric forms of speech with our own; that is, of showing the equivalency of each to the other. In the meanwhile the use of our technical terms in discussing the Tartar tongues is natural, almost inevitable; and at all events I beg earnestly to disclaim all purpose of censure whilst attempting to elucidate. There is much grammar in these tongues, but, as I think, borrowed, and shown to be so as well by reference to the much larger and unchanged portion of the languages as by the unharmonising character which the grammatical element wears when it exists.

wé = he in Mantchú. Therefore souwé, ye, is literally thou and he; as mousé, wé, is literally I and thou. In like manner the third plural or they, tését, is undoubtedly a compound of té = he, and sé = thou. The sé root has the tá particle added as a conjunct servile (sé-t), according to a rule of universal operation in these tongues. Té is extant in Mantchú in the sense of he. It has the rá particle suffixed and harmonised in its vowel to the vowel of the root (téré), also according to a universal rule governing these particles; and sé, in the sense of thou, is likewise extant, as sí in Mantchú, as sé in Turki, as sá in some one of its phases, in short (sá, sé, sí, só, sú) in twenty of these tongues. Therefore té-sé-t, or they, is literally he and thou; and the whole of the three plurals are constructed upon precisely the same principle thus :—

Mou-sé = we = I and thou.'
Sou-wé = ye = thou and he.
Té-sé-t = they = he and thou.

In like manner the Mongolian plurals, bi-dá, tá, and té-dé-t, might be analysed by means of the Tibetan demonstratives, dí and dé, with their analogues in allied tongues, and shown to be nothing more than reiterate pronouns of the singular number, and also that the dá, dé is no more a plural sign than the third phase of this particle or dou (dá, dé, dí, dó) is a dative sign, though widely as erroneously so regarded (just as De Cörös regards the equivalent ra* particle), witness t sé-do, to the earth; ko-dá, to the foot, &c., in the Caucasian group, according to Vater. In truth, the dá particle is in these latter instances a servile, not a radical, as is the sé before given; but apparently neither radical nor servile can be regarded in strictness as a declensional sign of case or of

* De Cörös, pursuant to his view of the rá particle, as a dative case sign, translates namgar in one instance and another, to heaven. Now, nam is the sun, and kha vel gá is place; and that the ra suffix only emphasises the sense of khá vel gá may be shown by a familiar pair of examples. Gár vel gáro and takla-khár are the names of two well-known places in Nari, gár meaning *the place* or fort, or headquarters of its district; and takla-khár, *the* place, or fort, or sadr, of Takla. Again, the thirteenth divisions of the spire of a chaitya are called chuksum-khár in Tibetan = trayodas bhuvan in Sanscrit, *i.e.*, *the* thirteenth mansion.

number. Nor in the great majority of these tongues from Caucasus to Oceanica do these or the other particles * ordinarily fulfil the necessary conditions of such a sign, with the scant and obvious exceptions before noted. The sá radical and the dá servile are both alike particles, and as such subject to the laws regulating particles, according to which all their alleged anomalies in either character can be explained, including not only every vocalic change incident to them in both capacities alike, but also that substitution whereby they interchange functions and the root becomes a servile, or the servile a root. Thus, for example, the sé particle is undoubtedly a root in the instances cited above, and it is as undoubtedly a servile in the Magar tongue, wherein í-sé means this, and ó-sé, that; í and ó being the near and remote demonstratives, with sé as a servile affix, answering exactly to the Georgian s in í-s, he. Compare Circassian í with Georgian í-s, and the servile and equivalent character of the sa suffix in these instances drawn from the Magyar and Georgian tongues will be at once apparent, and it will be also perceived how the alleged plural sense is here neither admissible nor possible, though the particle be assuredly the identical one to which in the Mantchú tongue the plural quality is attributed.

In explaining the Mantchú pronouns I have included almost all that need be said of the Circassian third personal singular, or ú, í, with its change to t' conjunct, as in t-ab, his father.

If we consider the ú, the í, and the t as all radicals, we may yet find numerous equivalents for each in that sense; and if, again, we regard the t' as a servile superseding the radical úí or wí, we may find abundant instances of such supersession alike among the Caucasian and the Mongolian tongues, as má, ma-fa, fá, fire; bí, dí-bi, dí, skin; sá, bá-sá, bá, cow; and many more for which I must refer to the forthcoming analysed list of vocables.

With regard to Mongolian equivalents for the radicals ú, í,

* The chá suffix in ma-ch, we, Osetic, is called a plural sign. What is it in sa-ch, earth? Probably what it is in a-ch, one, Circassian; viz., a servile with the usual differential function.

and ta, in the sense of he, the third personal, the subjoined enumeration must suffice at present.

U′, Circassian = ú in Gáró; ú in Sontál; ó (óé) in Magyar; ó in Ouigúr and Turki; wó in Newári; wá in Gyárúng, in Dhimali,* and in Thunglhu. I′, Circassian = í in Mantchú; í in Sontál; í in Burmese (this); é in Magyar (óé); é in Kalmak; é in Lazig; í-s in Georgian; í-sé in Magar; í-tu in Tagalàn. Tá, Circassian = té in Mongol; té in Mantchú; tá in Esthonian; tá in Chinese; thá in Gyámi; thí in Gúrúng; thé in Murmi; thú in Burmese.

If, again, we take the Circassian ú, í, as one root and word, we have parallels for it in the Magyar óé, similarly taken, and in all the wá roots should we read wí (w for ű).

With regard to the Gyárúng wa, tú, which I have compared with the Circassian ú, í, changing in composition to tá, it is very important to observe that if wa, tú, and ú, í, be considered as compounds of two synonymous roots, according to the above detailed exposition of roots, then that such reiterated pronouns are completely conformable to the genius of these tongues, and as such harmonise perfectly with the preceding exposition of the plurals. These tongues, in fact, revel in cumulation, pronominal and nominal, varying as to the exact applications of the emphasised or reiterated pronouns,† but

* The perfect agreement of the Circassian and Dhimali in regard to the singular of the third personal, ú being he, in both tongues, renders the proximate agreement of the perplexing plural, ú-bert and ú-bal, very interesting. I have tried the analysis in several ways, but have not succeeded to my own satisfaction; but I submit the following.

U′-ba-rt = they = he and he; one he being the ú above elucidated, and the other, a synonymous bá, bé, bí root, such as bí actually is in Bódó; rt, servile; the ra and ta suffixes conjunct.

U′-ba-l = they = he and he, as before. The juxtaposition of the Bódó and Dhimal tribes renders the adoption of the bí root from Bódó likely in this instance.

It is, however, a word and root widely diffused, and used as a noun and pronoun also. Final l′, servile.———The Suanic al, he, and the Ouigúr and Turki ol, he, and ol-ar, they, are very suggestive, as also the Turkish and Ouigúr bí, and the Sokpo bú in abú, with all the numerous words for man having the bí root, as bi-shi, juvenis, alike in Turki and in Bódó. Nominal and pronominal roots are so apt to coincide that I have a long list of coincident roots for ego = homo: for instance, the mi root, and ta root, and sa root, and ba root.

† See Mith. voce Turki, i. 467 *et seq.*, and Essay on Koch, Bódó, and Dhimal, p. 120, and De Cörös' Grammar, p. 65, Crawfurd's Malayan Grammar, Phillips's Sontal Grammar, and Brown's Asam Grammar.

preserving a general overruling similitude, of which the following instance from a Himálayan and a Caucasian tongue is too singular to be omitted. In Georgian the í root for the third personal singular, or he, becomes, by such accretion gradually augmenting, first í-s, and then í-ti-ná; and in Magar the same root with the same sense (ille iste) becomes í-sé and í-sé-ná, according as more or less of emphasis and discrimination is needed. Again, the Georgian ti in iti na is the Burmese thí in í-thi, a word compounded of two synonyms, both meaning this (ille), and conjointly equivalent precisely to iséná as well as itina in Magar and Georgian respectively. Thú, again, means he, the third personal, in Burmese, and this word, which is merely another phase of the thá particle (thá, thí, thú, thó—which last signifies that, and is Tibetan), brings us back to the Tagalan í-tú and the Gyárúng wa-tú, every particle, whether used in a primary or secondary sense, taking the aspirate indifferently (mé, mhé, fire; ni, nhi, day; ká, khá, sky; et cæt., ad libitum).

Now, if we look again at the Gyárúng wa tú through the medium of the Malayan and Tagalan í tú and the Circassian rí í and tá, all but the last equally involving a double pronominal root and single sense, we shall see in this identical composition and identical idiomatic use of the third personal pronoun, illustrated on all sides as they are by Altaic, Himálayan, and Indo-Chinese equivalents, reproducing every form and phase of the roots, a marvellous proof of the affinity of all the tongues. But this is not all, for the Circassian ú and í, commutable to t, derives the highest and complete illustration from another and most interesting quarter, to wit, the uncultivated Tamulian tongues of India, amongst which the Sontál exhibits both ú and í for the third personal pronoun, as well as their commutation into t,* whilst the Gondi has ú (w) similarly commutable. For the proof of these most remark-

* The transposableness of the particles in these tongues has been already stated and abundantly proved. With this hint, look at the following wonderful sample of analogous structure: t-ab, his father, in Circassian; apa-t, his father, in Sontál. It is needless almost to add that the word for father is ab in the former tongue, apa in the latter. Not one of Bopp's celebrated Arian affinities surpasses the above in beauty and interest.

able coincidences I refer the student to the works of Phillips and Driberg, merely observing in conclusion that it is but a sample of those analogies derivable from the same interesting quarter which I have already made good progress in the development of, and which when fully exhibited will go far to confirm the conviction that the Tartaric family is one and indivisible from the Caucasus to the Pacific.

The prospect of a reunion of all the Tartars suggests the consideration of a fitting designation for the whole; and, whatever my leaning towards the term Scythian,* from veneration for the father of history who first introduced this mighty herd to our view, I prefer upon the whole the more familiar appellation Tartar; first, because it has a sense as ample as our present requirement, in which respect it has no advantage over Scythian; second, because it has an etymological significance thoroughly indigenous and in the highest degree appropriate, as well with reference to the structure of those tongues by the dissection of which we have come at a knowledge of the whole scope of Tartar affinities, as with regard to that characteristic idiom according to which the name of a tribe is the name of our species. Tá means man in a score of extant tongues; and tá designates numerous extant tribes stretching from the Altai to the Gulf of Siam, whilst the same or equivalent names prevail throughout the Mongolian countries and in Caucasus;† and, lastly, the reitera-

* Essay on Koch, Bódó, and Dhimal, preface, pages 8, 9, where the reader may see that seven years ago I had a strong presentiment of what I now hope to demonstrate.

† Tshá-ri, tshé-tshé-nsh, &c., come from the tá and sá roots for man, and are seen in similar combination, being synonyms, in the Chinese and Georgian tsé meaning man, whereof tsé-s is a diminutive. The Chinese call the Tartars indifferently thá-thá and thá-tsé, and so do the Newárs of Népál, whilst ta-i, ta-i-mó, ta-i-lúng, ta-i-né, ta-i-yé, names of tribes from Asam to the Ocean, are all not only tá but tá-tá, since the second syllable is in all a synonym, and therefore as equivalent as tshé-tshé and tá-tá, which are reiterations. As instances, familiar to us in India, of a tribe-name signifying also man in the language of that tribe, I may mention a-nam, mru, k lun, ka mi, ku-mi, kong, lau, mó-n, mo-i, bar-ma. These are simple. Mi-shi-mi, mú-r-mi, &c., are compound. Occasionally, as in Burmese, the root may be obsolete in the human sense; but it will always be found in its derivatives or in the proximate tongues, leaving the principle of gentile nomenclature indisputable. In Mishimi we have the mi and

tion whereby *the* Tá, or Zenghis' clansmen came to be called tá-tá, vel thá-thá (men pre-eminently, quasi Allemanni) is a normal sample of one of the chief constructive principles of these tongues. Wherefore I would abide by that mediæval designation by which all the races beyond the confines of Europe have been known to Europe in modern times, and which from and after the middle ages superseded the classical term Scythian—a term of as wide import as the other and so far equally fitting, but now laid aside, and never so etymologically just as Tartar, the very r of which word, though carped at by half-informed critics, is in fact thoroughly in accordance with the jus et norma of Tartaric speech, everywhere from Oceanic to the Caucasian region.

shi roots for man, the former reiterated. In Múrmi we have the mi root reiterated in different phases (mú and mí). In Burma we have a third phase of the same root (má) with the bá root and synonym preceding it; and lest this etymology should startle my readers, I will add that this very word barma means man in the Magar tongue, that is, in one of those Himálayan tongues whose close affinity to the Burmese language I have lately shown.

SECTION VIII.

PHYSICAL TYPE OF TIBETANS.

Pénjúr of Lhassa, 30 years old.

Total height,	5	9½	Rectilinear measurements.
Length of head,	0	9½	
Girth of head,	1	10¼	
Crown of head to hip,	2	5	
Hip to heel,	3	4¾	
Breadth of chest only,	1	4	by curve.
Sh. point to sh. point,	1	5	Rectilinear measurements.
Arm and hand,	2	6⅛	
Girth of chest,	3	0	
Girth of arm,	0	11	
Girth of forearm,	0	9¾	
Girth of thigh,	1	6½	
Girth of calf,	1	1½	
Length of foot,	0	10	
Breadth of foot,	0	3	
Length of head,	0	7¾	
Breadth of head,	0	4	

A fine young man, but low in flesh from sickness, and the muscles flaccid. Colour a clear ruddy brownish or brunette rather deep hued, as dark as any of the Cis-Himálayans and as most high-caste Hindus. No red on cheeks, which are sunk and hollow. Hair moderately coarse, black, copious, straight, shining, worn long and loose, divided from the top of head. Moustache very small, black. No symptom of beard nor any hair on chest; sufficient on mons martis, where it is black, and on armpits also. No whiskers. Face moderately

large, sub-ovoid, widest between angles of jaws, less between cheek-bones, which are prominent, but not very. Forehead rather low and narrowing somewhat upwards; narrowed also transversely, and much less wide than the back of head. Frontal sinus large, and brows heavy. Hair of eyebrows and lashes sufficient. Former not arched, but obliquely descendant towards the base of nose. Eyes of good size and shape, but the inner angle decidedly dipped or inclined downwards, though the outer not curved up. Iris a fine deep, clear, chestnut brown. Eyes wide apart, but well and distinctly separated by the basal ridge of nose; not well opened, cavity being filled with flesh. Nose sufficiently long and well raised even at base, straight, thick, and fleshy towards the end, with large wide nares nearly round. Zygomæ large and salient, but moderately so. Angles of the jaws prominent, more so than zygomæ, and face widest below the ears. Mouth moderate, well formed, with well-made closed lips hiding the fine, regular, and no way prominent teeth. Upper lip long. Chin rather small, round, well formed, not retiring. Vertical line of the face very good, not at all bulging at the mouth, nor retiring below, and not much above, but more so there towards the roots of the hair. Jaws large. Ears moderate, well made, and not starting from the head. Head well formed and round, but larger à parte post than à parte ante or in the frontal region, which is somewhat contracted crosswise, and somewhat narrowed pyramidally upwards. Body well made and well proportioned. Head well set on the neck, neither too short nor too thick. Chest wide, deep, well arched. Shoulders falling, fine. Trunk not in excess of proportionate length compared with the extremities, nor they compared with the trunk and whole stature. Arms rather long, within four inches of knees. Legs and arms deficient in muscular development from sickness. Hands and feet small and well formed, with instep hollow and heel moderate. Toes not spread, nor splay foot. Mongolian cast of features decided, but not extremely so, and expression intelligent and amiable.

DARJEELING, 30*th April* 1848.

SECTION IX.

THE ABORIGINES OF CENTRAL INDIA.

At the close of last year I had the honour to submit to the Society a summary view of the affinities of the sub-Himálayan aborigines. I have now the honour to submit a similar view of the affinities of the aborigines of Central India. The extra copies of the former paper which were sent to me by the Society I forwarded to Colonels Ouseley and Sleeman, to Major Napleton, Mr. Elliot of Madras, and other gentlemen, with a request that they would get the vocabulary filled up from the languages of the several aborigines of their respective neighbourhoods. The three former gentlemen have obligingly attended to my wishes, and I am assured that Mr. Elliot also is busy with the work. Of the seven languages which I now forward the comparative vocabulary of, the three first came from Chyebossa, where Colonel Ouseley's assistant, Captain Haughton, prepared them; the fourth and fifth direct from Colonel Ouseley himself at Chotá Nagpur; the sixth from Bhaugalpur, prepared by the Rev. Mr. Hurder; and the seventh from Jabbalpur, where Colonel Sleeman's principal assistant drew it up for me.

The affinities of these tongues are very striking, so much so that the five first may be safely denominated dialects of the great Kól language; and through the U'ráo*n* speech we trace without difficulty the further connection of the language of the Kóles with that of the "hill men" of the Rajmahal and Bhaugalpur ranges. Nor are there wanting obvious links between the several tongues above enumerated—all which we may class under the head Kól—and that of the Gónds of the Vindhia, whose speech again has been lately shown by Mr. Elliot to have much resemblance both in vocables and structure to the cultivated tongues of the Deccan. Thus we are already rapidly approaching to the realisation of the hypothesis put forth in my essay on the Koch, Bódó, and Dhimál, to wit, that all the

Tamulians of India have a common fountain and origin, like all the Arians; and that the innumerable diversities of spoken language characterising the former race are but the more or less superficial effects of their long and utter dispersion and segregation, owing to the savage tyranny of the latter race in days when the rights of conquest were synonymous with a license to destroy, spoil, and enslave. That the Arian population of India descended into it about 3000 years ago from the north-west as conquerors, and that they completely subdued all the open and cultivated parts of Hindostan, Bengal, and the most adjacent tracts of the Deccan,* but failed to extend their effective sway and colonisation further south, are quasi-historical deductions† confirmed daily more and more by the results of ethnological research. And we thus find an easy and natural explanation of the facts that in the Deccan, where the original tenants of the soil have been able to hold together in possession of it, the aboriginal languages exhibit a deal of integrity and refinement, whilst in the north, where the pristine population has been hunted into jungly and malarious recesses, the aboriginal tongues are broken into innumerable rude and shapeless fragments. Nevertheless those fragments may yet be brought together by large and careful induction; for modern ethnology has actually accomplished elsewhere yet more brilliant feats than this, throwing upon the great antehistoric movements of nations a light as splendid as useful. But if I hold forth, beforehand, the probable result of this investigation in the shape of a striking hypothesis in order to stimulate the painstaking accumulator of facts, and even intimate that our present materials already offer the most encouraging earnest of success, I trust that the whole tenor and substance of my essay on the Koch, Bódó, and Dhimál will suffice to assure all candid persons that I am no advocate for sweeping conclusions from insufficient premises, and that I desire to see the ethnology of India conducted upon the most extended scale, with careful weighing of every available item of evidence that is calculated to demonstrate the unity,‡ *or otherwise,* of the Tamulian race.

* Telingána, Gujerat, and Maharáshtra, or the Maratta country.

† Brachmanes nomen gentis diffusissimæ cujus maxima pars in montibus (Ariana Cabul) degit, reliqui circa Gangem. Cellarius, Geogr.

‡ This unity can, of course, only touch the grander classifications of language, and be analogous to that which aggregates, for example, Sanscrit, Greek, Teutonic, and Celtic.

English.	1. *Sinhbhúm Kól.*	2. *Sóntál.*	3. *Bhúmij.*	4. *U'ráon.*	5. *Múndala.*	6. *Rájmahali.*	7. *Góndi.*
Air	hoiyo	hóyé	hóyó	tháká	hóyóh	táké, táphé	báribá ítá
Ant	múí	múni	múó	póh	múnj	pók	patté
Arrow	sarh	sarh	sarh	chár	sáár	chár	jiyatúr
Bird	óó	chéné	chéné	órak	úró	púj	ittó
Blood	myún	myún	myún	khéns	myún	késú	nattúr
Boat	dúngá	dúngá	dúngá	dóngá	dónga	návé, H.	dóngó
Bone	jáng	jáng	jáng	khóchal	jáng	kochal	hára
Buffalo	kérá	kará	kérá	mánkhá	bhitkil	mángé	háliyá
Cat	bilai, H.	púsí	bilai, H.	bírkha	pússí	bérgé	bílal
Cow	gúndi	gai, H.	gai, H.	údú	úrí	oi	dhóriyal
Crow	ká	kahú	kóvá	khákhá	kóvá	kákó	káwá
Day	súgi, má	sing, má	din, H.	úllah	sing	diné, H.	patti
Dog	sétú	sétá	sétá	alla	sétá	allay	naï
Ear	lútúr	lútúr	lútúr	khebda	lútúr	khetway	kavi
Earth	óté	ót	óté	khékhél	wathé	kékal	dharti, S.
Egg	pitú	billi	pito	bí	billi	kírpan	méj
Elephant	háthi, H.	háthi, H.	háthi	háthi, H.	háthi, H.	ati, H.	yéje
Eye	mót	mét	mét	khán	méd	káné	kank
Father	ápúng	bábá	bábú	bábé	apúng	ábá	wáwó
Fire	sengel	sengel	sengel	chik	singil	chiché	kis
Fish	hákú	hakú	hái	injo	hákú	min	min
Flower	bowh	búhá	baha	phúp	baha	púp	phúl, H.
Foot	kátá	súptijánga	kata	dappé	kata	kóv	kaik
Goat	méram	méram	méram	éra	méram	cré	bókra, H.
Hair	úb	úb	úb	chúttí	úp	tali	róbáng
Hand	thí	thí	thí	khékháh	tihi	sésú	kaik
Head	bu	buho	buho	kúk	bóhú	kúpé	talla
Hog	súkri	súkri	súkri	kiss	súkri	kís	paddi
Horn	dring	darring	derring	márag	daring	márg	singh, H.
Horse	sadham	sadham	sadham	ghoro, H.	sadam	goro, H.	kóndand?
House	óá	órá	órá	erpá	úráä	ává	rón

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Iron	médh	mérhad	mérhd	panná	marhan	lóhá, H.	kachchi
Leaf	sákam	sakam	sikkam	átkhá	sikam	átgé	áki
Light	maskal	marsal	tetaytúrra	billi	marsa?	ávéli	bérachi
Man	hó	horh	horro	alla	horl	málé	mánébábá mawsal
Monkey	sarrha, gári	hanú, gári	gari	bandra, H.	bandra, H.	múgé	bandara, H.
Moon	chándú, H.	chando, H.	chandú, H.	chando, H.	chandú, H.	bilpé	chanda, H.
Mother	éáng	i yo	mai, H.	ayyo	éngan	áyá	aval
Mountain	búrú	búrú	búrú	partá	búrú	tóké	dongar
Mouth	á	mocha	alang	bái	mocha	soro	údi
Moschito	sikí	sikri	lúti	bhúséndi	bhúsúndi	minko	misi
Name	nútúm	nútúm	númú	nám, H.	natúm	námi, H.	batti paról
Night	níndhá *	níndhá	nídhá	mákhá	nidak	máké	narkaát
Oil	súnúm	súnúm	súnúm	issúm	súnam	isgné	níng
Plantain	kodal	kaira	kodal	kérá, H.	kélá, H.	kalvi	kérá, H.
River	garra	garra	garra	khár	garra	caret	dóndá
Road	horra	hor	horren	dáhári	hórah	sarké, H.	sarri
Salt	búlúng	búlúng	búlúng	békh	búlang	béké	sabbar
Skin	úr	harta	úr	chapta	harta	chámé, S.	tól
Sky	sirma	sirma	rimmil	mírkhá	sirma	saráungé	bádúr? H.
Snake	bing	bing	bing	nír	bing	nér	tarás
Star	épil	ípil	ípil	bínká	ipil	bindéké	sukú
Stone	dirri	dirri	dirri	pakhná	diri	chaihé	tóngí
Sun	singi	sing marsal	singi	dharmi †	singi	bér	súraj, H.
Tiger	garúmkúla	kúla	kúlá	lakhrá	kúlah	sad	púlli
Tooth	dáthá, H.	dátha	dátta	páll	dátá, H.	páll	palk
Tree	dárú, S.	dáré	dárú	man	dárú, S.	man	marú
Village	hattú	athú	hathújé	padda	hátú	kép	nár
Water	dáh	dáh	dáh	úm, chéïp	dhá	ám	yér
Yam	merúmtosang	dá sáng	sángá	úlú, H.	árú, H.	caret	náska kángda
I	aing	ingé	ing	enan	ing	en	máṇú

* A misapplication, probably, of the Hindi word for sleep or sleepy.

† Sanscrit? and implies that the sun is worshipped.

Thou	um	umgé	am	nien	am	nin	imma
He, she, it	ini	úní	ini	asán	inni	áth	caret
We	caret	caret	caret	en	allégé	nam, om	caret
Ye	caret	caret	caret	ású	inkoghí	nina	úndé
They	caret	caret	caret	caret	ánkó	ásabar, áwar	caret
Mine	i yan	ingréá	inya	énghi	jhátaná	ongki	nává ángdo
Thine	úmmá	ami	úmmá	nienghi	amátaná	ningki	niávútriánd
His	ini	únéá	aigé	ásghi	annerá tana	áhiki	oná
Ours	alléá	alléá	ábúsaban	émhí	ahúá tana	émki, námki	mábaí
Yours	appéá	appé	caret	ássghi	apiá tana	nimki	niá hillé
Theirs	énkóá	únkúré	caret	caret	ankóá tana	ásá bériki	oná ánd
One	mí	midh	moy	úntá	míá	ort.† ondong pándong, kivong	únddí
Two	barria	barria	barria	enótan	baria	twr. mákis in dual	ranú
Three	apia	pía	apia	manótan	apia		múnú
Four	úpúnia	ponia	úpúnia	nákhótan	úpniá		nálú
Five	moya	moné gótang *	monaya	panjé gotan, H.	monia		saijhan
Six	túria	túrúí gótang	túrúyá	sé gotan, H.	túriá		sárong
Seven	íyá	íair gótang	sáth, H.	sat gotan, H.	sáth, H.		yénú, yétú
Eight	irlia	iral gótang	áth, H.	áté gotan, H.	áth, H.	Same as Hindi and Urdu	anamúr
Nine	aréá	aré gótang	nou, H.	nó gotan, H.	nókó, H.		nó, H.
Ten	geléá	gél gótang	das, H.	das gotan, H.	dasgo, H.		pada
Twenty	hissi	caret	caret	bís, H.	bís, H.		bísa, H.
Thirty	hissi geléá	hissi gél gótang	moy hissi dasti	dérh kori, H.	tís, H.		tís, H.
Forty	bárhissi	bár hissi	bár hissi	bísénd	bár hissi dasgo		chálís, H.
Fifty	moy hissigil	bár hissi gél	bar hissi dasti	dharihé kóri	bár hissi dasgo	As in Urdu	pachás, H.
A hundred	moy hissi	monay hissi	sou, H.	só, H.	midso		só, H.
Of	caret	caret	caret	ye	kí, H.		orá, bará
To	té	té	caret	gai	kó, H.	By affix to the noun	baina
From	té	té	caret	té	sé, H.		caret
By, instr.	tété	túlé	caret	caret	átam		túrsé, dúrsé
With, cum.	tóté	túlí	caret	sang, H.	gatt, minna	gúni	sang
Without, sine.	banóá	banóá	caret	ní	sámá	walo	bigúr

* Gótang is surplusage and Hindi.

† Ort. to human beings; others to diverse things.

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In	ré	ré	caret	úlá	bhítar, H.	By affix to the noun	ímitté
On	ré chitan	ré	caret	úlá	caret		
Now	ná	nítging	caret	úkú	náhá	ánéké	inga
Then	en	ena, úní	caret	písá	ínam	áni	ada
When?	chúílá	tis	caret	éká héré	chiélo, chimto	I kono	vang pur
To-day	ná	teheng	tising	ínam	tihin	iné	naiú
To-morrow	gúphá	gúphá	gúphá	nélá	gappá	lélé	ningnai
Yesterday	hólá	holáné	hóla	chélé	hólá	chéwr	nara khai
Here	néthá	noáthi	néthai	isan	nithi	ino	ingabará
There	entai	hanati	éta thái	háhá	únthi	áno	caret
Where?	okotai	okáti	oko thái	éksan	úthi	ikéno	vagá
Above	sirma	sirma	sirma	méyah	chaitan	méché	parró
Below	súbá	phér	athé	kíyah	látúr	pissi	khálai mandar, H.
Between	talaré	taláré	talaré	majín	talar	máji, H.	bíchte mandar, H.
Without,outside	racháré	racháré	racháré	báhari, H.	báhari, H.	dwári	bahiro mandar, H.
Within	bhitar, H.	bhitar, H.	bhitar, H.	úlá	bhítar, H.	úlé	núpá mandar
Far	sanginiya	sanginiya	sángiya	gécha	sangin	géchi	langkak mandar
Near	nia	súrgí	járéyá	hédi	najík, H.	atgi	múntosa mandar.
Little	húring	húringi	húring	sani	húring	jóká	jarásó mandar
Much	ésú	oriúttar	burra	dhér, H.	dhér, H.	gánrí	baló mandar
How much?	chi miáng	tíná	chi miáng	yúng pagi	chimna	iná	bauchur
As	carent	carent	...	carent	nimnú	caret	inchur mandá
So					sé	caret	aróbara
Thus	ínlíkaté	húnkaté	nékagia	yéli	nikemeh	indéki	íhún
How?	chi líka	chika líka	chi líka	yékassi	chilké	ikna	báhún
Why?	chikan minté	chér minté	chi líka	indarí	chikanlé	indrik	bárad
Yes	háṇ, H.	hóá	háṇ, H.	háh	háh	ónón-	ingé
No	bano	banga	bano	málá	bano	málla	hillé
(Do) not	alam	alam	alapé	ampá	alú	caret	hillé bará
And, also	úndo	carent	...	our, H.	inní	insóki	úḍó
Or	nado			ís	ání	malé	idaró
This	néá	nóá	ní	edah	nia	íh	caret
That	énó	hono	caret	húdah	áná	áh	caret

Which, jón Which, tón	carent omnino	...	...	ikrah ...	ókah ...	caret caret	caret caret
Which? kón	oko	hana	caret	carent	...	ik	caret
What? Who?	carent	...	carent	indrári ekóá	chikina ókówé	caret ik	bará ánd caret
Anything	oko bitté	oka dhon	okodhon	indara	jáhá, nági	indarbadi	bittíchíj, H.
Anybody	oko ho	okúrén horh	okoji	ékoárten	oko waibí	né góté	vóndi ándi
Eat	júméman	júmmén	júmiábo	mokháh	jamémí	lápá, móká mina	bárátit
Drink	núéman	nayman	nayman	únáh	noimi	oná	yérú undkar
Sleep	gitíman	gitikéman	gitijúm	kháudara	dúróng	kándrá	súngji
Wake	birman	biritman	rúárman	amha khandara	adágya	ejra	jagémám
Laugh	landaiman	landman	landai	alíkah	caret	álká	kavítoní
Weep	raiman	ragman	eyamman	chinkháh	éyamtémi	olgá	arátó
Be silent	hápauman	hapékoman	hapiakanman	amha kachnékrah	happá	aslúbehá	immakammenéman
Speak	kajíman	rorhman	kajíman	kachnékrah	kajémi	auda	bárámankó
Come	hújúman	hijúman	hijúman	báná	déla hájúm	bárá	bárángá
Go	sanóman	chalahman	sanóman	kálá	dúsénámi	eká, kálá	hannogáímá
Stand up	tíngúnman	matinggúnman	tingúákanman	illáhá	tengúnmi	choíyá	tedánígá
Sit down	dúbman	dúrúpman	dúrúbkanman	úkha	dúmí	oká	uddánígá
Move, walk	sanóman	dilangchalahman	dholábúsanóman	gúcha	sénámí	sakrá?	táká
Run	níríman	dúrman	dúrman	bóngá	lírmí	bóngá	bittá
Give	immaiman	immaiman	úmaiman	chhíá	dá	katá	sí
Take	né	né	né	oánda	né	kinda	tará
Strike	goiman	dalmain	magíman	khórah	dálí	bája	jím
Kill	margojokai	goidapolsmon	margogojiman	pítalchia	márgóji, H.	pitá	jaksívaústi
Bring	dá	dan	daigóáguéman	ondrá	ágómen	óndrá	tarángá
Take away	ídíman	dúídíman	idimengo	hóná	édímé	oiyá	oumaníga
Lift up, raise	rúkúbman	túlrúkúbman	úthaibaitman	chódá	rimémi	chivá	téhá
Hear	jaimman	jyúmman	jyúmmanmego	mijnka	jyoumémi	menú	caret
Understand	adaiman	únjúmkidda	etwanachigúm	bhújarka	samújhai, H.	bújiá, H.	pútté
Tell, relate	kajíman	rorhman	kajiman	káchana	kájí	téngá	kantáná manjé
Good	búgí	búgí	búgí	bésri	bógí	crú	bésmanda, H.
Bad	etka	bariéna	júdajanna	maldau	káhésá	báná	búró mauda, H.
Cold	rabang	rabang	rabang	ekh	réártana	paniai	múragta
Hot	lóló	loloa	gúmár	bidáh	balhaltan	kúrni	kástai

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Raw	baral	baralgia	baral	khéna, arha	béral	kéné	kachchomanda, H.
Ripe	biriéna	biliéna	ihsinjanna	panja	bilia	panjéké	pútá
Sweet	sibíla	haramgía	sibíla	tini	sihil	émbé	mingatá
Sour	jójó	jójógía	jójó	tissa	jojou	tisé	chúk manda
Bitter	hárdá	hawéra	harrada	harkhá	harpand	karkeh	kaḍúta
Handsome	búgi lika	úní búgi	búgikúri	bésré, H.	bés, H.	crúgáré	assal, H.
Ugly	ésúétka lika	uni barigía	utea neloa	málá	kaihés	caret	búrótá manda, H.
Straight	múlí	búgisajia	búgi saj	újgó	sójhia, H.	jákró	tukvá
Crooked	kochamocha	ochúr	hessú bánka	béngko	kékúndo	séró	téḍhó
Black	héndé	héndé	hendé	mokharo	hendí	márgo	kariyal
White	púndí	úrí púnda	hessú púnia	pándrú	púndí	jimpro	panguró
Red	*hessú árá	*úrí árá	*baṛaranga, H.	khénsó	árrah	késó	lál, H.
Green	gadésosang	hariyar, H.	gadé sosang	harria, H.	harriár, H.	kénkajro	haro, H.
Long	jilling	úri jilling	baroajilling	digha, S.	jiling	digaro	lamba, H.
Short	dúngúya	húrikatógia	kándia	phúdá	húding	jokka	chúndur
Tall (man)	bátari salangi	úḍi úsúlai	baraisangaluma	micha	jiling	digaro	jhangchomanda
Short (man)	hessú imitingia	bángorgaintia	baṛa bángarba	natúá, H.	húding	chápó	chúndúrmanda
Small	húring	húringia	huringia, káto	sanka	húring	caret	pataro, H.
Great	márang	márangia	hisso márang	kóhá	márang	bévó	mótó, H.
Round	dingúrúgia	gúlándia	golandia, gotagia	gólgól, H.	gótá?	golé, H.	gola, H.
Square	úpúnkocha	púnkóna	úpún kón	chár kóna, H.	gótá	caret	nálukhúnt
Flat	mitaulígia	úri mirsang	mórsóm	chaptí, H.	chaptia	barábar, H.	naphúral mandánur
Fat	kiriéná	úri móta	barai móta, H.	mota, H.	mota, H.	gandi tarvé	caret
Thin	bátaria	pátalia, H.	barai úsú	serúá	úsú	gandi walo	sirsíhattúr
Weariness	ésúblagiéna	langiéna	laga jouálé	kháridkar	thakana, H.	caret	dikmandatúr, H.
Thirst	totáng tanna	totang tanna	totang tanna	amún kala	titang	amkírvá	yétaksátúr
Hunger	réngé	réngé	réngé	kéïra	ringat	kiré	karúsátúr

N.B.—The postfix H. indicates a Hindi or Urdu etymon and the S. a Sanscrit origin.

* Hessú, uḍi, baṛa, bar, ai, mean "very," "extremely," and are mere expletives, I suspect.

English.	*Toda.*	*Kota.*	*Badaga.*	*Kurumba.*	*Irula.*
Air	kátu (á = ou in bought)	gáló	glai (l particular sound)	gáli	kátu
Ant	erb	irbé	irúpu	irúpu	irúmbu
Arrow	ábu	ambe	ambu	ambu	ambu
Bird	bitti	péké	hakibu	hakibu	páki
Blood	bách	netra	netru	netaru	látta
Boar	caret	gandu pandij	gand handij	gand handy	gándu pani
Bone	elf	yelave	yellu, illu	yellu	yellambu
Boy	moch (lit. son)	magé	máti	mati	kúge
Brother	ennon vót ó = German ó	anna, tamma	kúda huṭṭidava	...	annan, tambri
Elder brother	ennon etud	annan	anna	anna	anna
Younger brother	ennon kinud	királ	tamma	tamma	tambó
Cat	koti	pisé	koti	koti	púné
Child	pópen, enne	mágé	kúju	kusu	púllé
Male child	moch	gandu mage	gandu kuju	gandu kusu	ampúlle
Female child	kuch	penne mage	hennu kuju	hennu kusu	pompúlle
Cow	dánám	áve	dana, hasu	dana	mádu
Cock	caret	púse kóli	húva, húrja	hunja koli	javalu
Crow	kák	káké	káké	kaké	káké
Day	nál	nálé	dina, jina	dina	ñalu
Dog	noi	nai	nai	nai	nai
Ear	kevvi	kivé	kivé	kivé	kádu
Earth	búmi	búmi	búmi	mannu, búmi	bumi
Egg	moṭṭe	moṭṭe	moṭṭe	moṭṭe	moṭṭu
Elephant	án	...	ane	áne	áne
Eye	kann	kannu	kannu	kannu	kannu
Father	eyan	eyan	appa, tande	tande	ámme
Fire	nebb, dilth (th = English th)	dijé	kichchu	kichchu	tü, tee
Fish	mín	míné	mínu	minu	mínu
Flower	púf	púve	húvu	huv	pu

English.	*Toda.*	*Kota.*	*Badaga.*	*Kurumba.*	*Irula.*
Fowl	kúdi	koli	krovi (Badaga)	koli	koli
Foot	kál	kálú	kálu	kálu	kálú
Goat	ádu	ádu	adu	ádu	áḍu
He goat	caret	gandadu	hótu	gandádu	katai
She goat	caret	penádu	henaḍu	heñádu	henáḍu
Hair	mír	míre	manḍe, kúdalu	kudalu	meiru
Hand	koi	kei	kei	kei	kei
Head	maḍḍ	manḍé	manḍé, tálé	manḍe	télé
Hen	caret	pennekóli	heṭṭe krovi	kóli	heñukoli
Hog	pandij	panje	handij	handij	panni
Horn	kuar	kóbe	koḍu, kombu	kombu	kombu
Horse	kadarae	kudare	kudure	kudure	kudure
House	todo house-ársh	pei	mane	mane	kúre
House of	badaga house and daérypálti Europeans, or Bungalow, Kúat	...	...	...	...
Husband	ál	álé	ganda	maneava	ganḍa
Iron	kabbun	ibbe	kabbuna	kabbuna	irumbu
Leaf	ersh	yéllé	yéllé	yélle	yélle
Light	velaku	belaku	divige	dípa	valaku
Man	ál	ále, manijon	manija	manisha	manisha
Female	kuch	pemmage	hennu	hennu	ponnu
Monkey	turuni, kódan, pershk	kortó	korangu	korangu	korangu
Moon	teggal	tiggulé	tiggalu	chandra, tingla	nálavu
Mother	avv	avve	avve, tai	ávve	ávve
Mountain	bana, dalta, márshi	vettume	beṭṭa	beṭṭu	mélé
Mouth	boi	vai	bai	bai	vai
Musquito	chikattu	chukattu	chukattu	súgane	jolle
Name	pér	pér	hesaru	hessaru, peru	hessuru
Night	kaggár	kattale	iru, kattale	iru	riṭṭu
Oil	ennei	yenne	yenne	yenne	énne
Plantain	pávóm	váhanne	bláéhannu	palehannu	pálepámbu

Rice	arshk	akki	nellakki	nellakki	arsi
Boiled rice	tuaru	kúve	kru, anna	kúlu	jóru
River	pá	peye, pévi	halla, holla	nirú	pálla
Road	áldár	áláre	dári	dári	beiee, daḍḍa
Salt	uppu	uppu	uppu	uppu	uppu
Skin	tuvarsh	tuval	tólu	tolu	tolu
Sky	bán	vaname	banu	bana	vánu
Sister	enor vöt kuch	keḍáse	akka tange	akka, amme	ákken, tánge
Snake	páb	páḅe	hávu, pámbu	hávu	pámbu
Sow	pandi	penavajé	henuuhanḍij	henhandy	panni
Star	mín	míné	mínu	mínu	vénu minu
Stone	kall	kallu	kallu	kallu	kállu
Sun	birsh	potte	hottu	hottu	pódu
Tiger	bürsh (ü = German ü)	pujje	huli	huli	pulli
Tooth	pársh	palle	hallu	hallu	pallu
Tree	maen (ae = German ä)	marame	mora	mara	mara
Village	haṭṭi, úr	patti	haṭṭi	úru	úru
Toda village	mort	mande	mandu	mand	
Water	nír	niré	niru	níru	...
Wheat	gádubi	godumbi	godumbi	godumbi	dani
Wife	kuigyó	peḍe	henḍaru	henḍaru	goḍumbi
Yam	...	...	mulingé	...	pondu
I	ánu	áne	ná	ná	...
Thou	ní	niye	ní	ni	nanu
He	adum, avan	avane	ava	avanu	ni
She	adum, adu	avale	avla	avalu	ávа
It	adum, adu	ade	adu	adu	avla
We	am, em	yenge	yengla	yenga	adu
You	nív	ninge	ningla	ninga	navu
They	avar adum	avare	avaka	avaru	nív
Mine	yennadú	yennade	yennadu	yennadu	aduru
Thine	ninnadu	ninnade	ninnadu	ninnadu	nannadu
His	avandu	avanade	avanadu	avanadu	nínadu
Ours	yemmadu or nammadu	nangude	yengadu, nammadu	yengadu	avanudu
Yours	nimmadu or ningadu	ningude	ningadu	ningadu	nammudu
					nimmudu

English.	*Toda.*	*Kota.*	*Badaga.*	*Kurumba.*	*Irula.*
Theirs	avardu	avarade	avaradu, avakaradu	avaradu	avarudu
One	vadd	vodde	vondu		vondu
Two	eḍ	yeḍe	yeraḍu		irndu
Three	múḍu	múnḍe	múru		muru
Four	nánk	náke	nalku		náku
Five	ütsh	anje	eidu	like the numbers in Badaga	eindu
Six	ár	áre	áru		aru
Seven	el	yéye	yéllu		elu
Eight	eṭṭ	yeṭṭe	yeṭṭu		yeṭṭu
Nine	anpath	vorupáde	vombattu		vombadu
Ten	path	patte	hattu		pattu
Twenty	evoth	irváde	ibbatta	ibbatu	irvadu
Thirty	múbath	múvatte	muvattu	muvattu	mubbadu
Forty	narshbath	nalvatte	nalvattu	nalvatu	núbadu
Fifty	óboth	eivatte	eivattu	eivattu	ambadu
Hundred	vaddnúr	núr	nuru	nuru	núru
Of *	n. m.	n. m.	ya, na	ya, na	no
To	ge, g	ge	ga	ge, ke	ke
By or from	ind, ar	inde	inda	inda	irinda, inda
With, cum.	...	sengaḍa	kóḍa	sangaḍa	kúḍa
Without, sine.	allade	allade	allade	allade	ádalla
In	ult	vollage	vollage	vollage	úlle
On	mél, mok	mélte	méle	méle	méle
Now	eni	innale	íga	igale	ípa
Then	áni	annale	ága	ágale	apale
When	etvan	yennale	yégva	yega	yépa
To-day	édu	inde	indu	indu	indu
To-morrow	belkash	nálke	nále	nále	nále
Yesterday	ennér	nér	ninne	ninne	nétu

* *N.B.*—Genitive case scarcely used, the nominative case is used instead of it.

Here	*it, ing*	iyáne	illi	illi	inge
There	*at, ang*	alle	alli	alli	ange
Where	et	yéye	yelli	yelli	yénge
Above	mél	méle	méle, vodega	méle	mele, móke
Below	erg, neshg	kriyage	kria	kelage	kúlake
Between	nárth, káshi	naḍle	naḍuve	naḍuve	naḍuve
Without, outside	pormud	porenje	horasu	honage	valli
Within	ulf	úluli	volage	vollage	ulle
Far	podthdshi	dúrame	dura	dúra	dúra
Near	keehuri	vottle	vottura, sâri	pakkaru	kiṭṭa
Little	yeddi, kinud	kunade	kuna, konji	vósi	konja
Much	upam	yeddame	tumba, appara	appara	tumba
How much	yet	yéje	yéja	yesaga	yettani
As	yingei	yete	hyinge, yetate	yetate	yepadi
So	ingei	áte	hinge	háge	ipaḍi
Thus	*ingei*, angei	áte, angei	háge	háge	ipaḍi
How	hyage	yége	yétete, hyage	yetate	yepaḍi
Why?	áed	yendea	yéka	yéka	yenna
Yes	ha	ha	há	haudu	áma
No	á	illa	illei	illa	ílle
Do not	achadi	véḍa	béḍa	bóḍa	vánḍa
Or	illade	illave	illave, illadhóle	innadhole	illavitta
This	avan	avane	avana	avana	ava
That	adu	adu	adu	adu	adu
Which?	yádu	yéde	yéadu	yavadu	yédu
What?	én	yéna	yéna	yénu	yenna
Who?	ár	áre	yáru	yaru	áru
Eat	thedth biné	tiggene	tinane	like the Badaga verbs	tinke
Drink	uḍth bini	unikiene	kuḍidane		kúdike
Sleep	vorchth bin or vorginé	pat kene	voragine		rombuve
Wake	eḍaderth bini	mekikene	yleddane		yélke
Laugh	karth bini	karsibe	naggedane		jirike
Weep	aṭth bini	attube	áltáné peculiar sound		éke
Be silent	bokkiru	bhévé	súmagiru, sappe niru		summa iru
Speak	eshth bini or arversh bini	mansbe	nudi ḍane, mátádine		peshike

English.	*Toda.*	*Kota.*	*Badaga.*	*Kurumba.*	*Irula.*
Come	it va	it va	ite ba		iti ba
Go	at fo	at hógu	áte hógu	like the Badaga verbs	bho
Stand up	mklo	nitullé	niddiru		nike
Sit down	neshkir	kúsure	kuli, kútiru		kukuve
I walk	nadedersh bini	naḍegabe	naḍedane	naḍedane	nadake
Run	vádu	vóse	vaḍu		vóḍipoke
I give	tashken	kaḍube	tanane		tarke
Take away	ett fo	ett hogu	yettiund hogu		eḍedu konḍu poke
I strike	puis bini	puigabe	huidane		áḍike
I kill	béshṭ vers bini	taverigábe	koddane	like the Badaga verbs	kolluke
I raise	túchs bine, mokvers biné	yetti gabe	yettinetúkine		yékkuke
I put down	háks biné, potsers biné	kriaga veigabe	hakine		irke
I hear	kelth biné, vonatth biné	vorutabe	kretine, voradiné		kélke
I understand	arth biné	arsibe	aridane		arike
Tell	binduḍverth biné	peidibe	hlegine		sollre
Good	vulti	volle	volle	volle	nálla
Bad	vollade	ága	holla	keṭṭa	polla
Cold	perthti, kuarthti	jalli	jalli, kóravu	jei	jalli
Hot	kástī, kásviji	úri	uri, bissé	bissé	kája
Raw	paji	paje	háse	hasu	paje
Sweet	dijati	sé	sí	si	rúse
Sour	pülthati	pulsa	hulli	hulli	pulli
Bitter	káthti	kaju	káhi	káhi	késape
Handsome	nárthti	pasane, Singara	singara	singara	alagu
Ugly	áḍádi	máse	holla	hola	polla
Straight	caret	hasia, neṭṭu	nettage	neṭṭage	neṭṭe
Crooked	balug	kénke	gokke	gokke	kokki
Black	kárthti	kari	kari, kappu	koppu	kari
White	belpu	velape	belapu	bóle	vélle
Red	kebbu	kembu	kebbu	kempu	jevve
Green	paje	paje	hase	hase	páje

Long	nirigiti	uddaṇe	udda	udda	uddya
Short	kurigiti	mone	mone	mone, kúle	kúle
Tall man	nirigi ál	uddaman	uddava	uddalu	udda manisha
Short man	kuruḍa moch	mod ále	moneava	kúle alu	kúle manisha
Great	etud	daḍḍa	dadda	doḍḍa	doḍḍa
Round	caret	muḍḍe	uruṭu	uruṭe	ruṭṭe
Square	caret	satte	jauka	jauka	javuka
Fat	bechiti	porále	kobbu	gobbu	kolupu
Thin	kinud	vottale	kuna	melle	vaḍage
Thirst	nirchásti	arthóje	arupu	arupu	véke
Hunger	bír erthti	peṭṭi hoje	hasu	hasu	passi
Weariness	caret	salupu	salupu	salupu	ṣalipu

The difference of the several dialects of the hill tribes consists not exactly in the idiom of the languages, but chiefly in their pronunciation. Therefore the same or nearly the same word in the mouth of a Toda with his pectoral pronunciation can scarcely be recognised as the same in the mouth of the Kotas with their dental pronunciation. The Badaga and Kurumba dialects are midway between the former two with regard to pronunciation, only the Badaga is a little more guttural than the Kurumba. There is a little difference in the dialects of the several Badaga tribes, those who came at a later period to the hills—for instance the Kangaru ("Lingaites"), who emigrated from Targuru—speaking a purer Canarese than the common Badagas.

The Todas also have some slight difference in their pronunciation according to the different districts they inhabit; for instance, some pronounce the *s* quite pure, others like the English *th*, and others like *z*.* The names of the Toda tribes are not quite correct in the letter of Mr. Hodgson. They are the following five: Peikee, Kenna, Pekkan, Kuttan, Tódi. The chief tribe is the Peikee, which pronounces the s like th.

* The *th* English is more especially Burmese; the rest is generally true of the northern tongues, which, even when they possess an ordinary sibilant series, prefer the use of the equivalent *z* series, or *z*, *zy* (Ellis' *zh*) and *dz*, whereof the first is a simple sound; the second a sliding sound, as in *azure*, *pleasure*, English, and = the French *j* in *jeu*; the third is the harsh modification of the sound. Several consonants besides *z* take the sliding sound represented by the blended *y*. This modification of the primitive sound of the precedent consonant may be seen in respect to the consonant *p* in the English *pure* and *puling*, which I write *pyur* and *pyuling*; and so of all consonants followed by *y*. Another almost universal trait of Tartaric phonology is the exceeding commonness of the French *eu*, as heard in *jeu* aforesaid. In the above paper I have not thought it prudent to meddle with Mr. Metz's orthography.

Aborigines of the Eastern Ghats.

To the Secretary of the Bengal Asiatic Society.

Sir,—Pursuant to my purpose of submitting to the Society, upon a uniform plan and in successive series, samples of all the languages of the non-Arian races of India and of the adjacent countries, I have now the honour to transmit six more vocabularies, for which I am indebted to Mr. H. Newill, of the Madras Civil Service, at present employed in Vizagapatam. These six comprise the Kondh, Sávara, Gadaba, Yerukala, and Chentsu tongues. In forwarding them to me, Mr. Newill, a very good Telugu scholar, has noted by an annexed asterical mark such words of these tongues, and particularly of Yerukala, as coincide with Telugu. He has also remarked that many of the Chentsu vocables resemble the U'rdu.

Having, as you are aware, a purpose of submitting to the Society an analytical dissection of the whole of the vocabularies collected by me, I shall be sparing of remarks on the present occasion. But I may add to M. Newill's brief notes a few words, as follows:

The Chentsu tribe, whose language, as here exhibited, is almost entirely corrupt Hindi and U'rdu, with a few additions from Bengali, affords one more example to the many forthcoming of an uncultivated aboriginal race having abandoned their own tongue. Such relinquishment of the mother-tongue has been so general that throughout Hindustan Proper and the Western Himalaya, as well as throughout the whole of the vast Sub-Himalayan tract denominated the Tarai, not excluding the contiguous valley of Assam, there are but a few exceptions to this the general state of the case; whilst in the Central Himalaya the aboriginal tongues are daily giving way before the Khas language, which, though originally and still traceably Tartaric, has been yet more altered by Arian influences than even the cultivated Dravirian tongues. The very significant cause of this phenomenon it will be our business to explain by and by. In the meanwhile the fact is well deserving of

this passing notice, with reference to the erroneous impression abroad as to the relative amounts of Arian and non-Arian elements in the population of India—an impression deepened and propagated by the further fact, still demonstrable among many of these altered aborigines, of the abandonment of their creed and customs, as well as tongue, for those of the Arians. We thence learn the value, in all ethnological researches, of physiological evidence, which, in regard to all these altered tribes, is sufficient to decide their non-Arian lineage, and to link them, past doubt, with the Himálayan and Indo-Chinese conterminous tribes on the east and north. It should be added, however, that, in a sheerly philological point of view, it becomes much more difficult to determine who are the borrowers and who the borrowed from, when both are non-Arians, than when one is Arian and the other non-Arian; and that, for instance, and in reference to the present vocabularies, we can decide at once that the Kondh numerals (save the two first) are borrowed from the Arian vernaculars, whereas it is by no means so certain that the Gadada and Yerukala numerals are borrowed from the Telugu and Karnata respectively, merely because they coincide; and so also of the pronouns where the same coincidence recurs. All such questions, however, are subordinate and secondary; and if we succeed in determining with precision—by physiological, lingual, and other helps—the entire Turánian element of our population, we shall then be able to advance another step and show the respective special affinities of the several cultivated and uncultivated Turánian tribes of India to each other and to certain of the tribes lying beyond India towards Burmah and Tibet, with at least an approximation to the relative antiquity of the successive immigrations into India.'

A word in defence of these vocabularies, of which the utility has been impugned, and impugned by special comparison with brief grammatical outlines.

When I commenced this series of vocabularies I expressed as strongly as any one could do the opinion that their utility must be circumscribed; and that the ethnology of India would only then be done complete justice to when every branch of

the subject should be carefully and simultaneously studied, upon the plan exemplified in my work on the Kóch, Bódó, and Dhimál. Much and toilsome labour has, however, since then, convinced me that inquiries confined wholly to India and its immediate vicinity would yield results far less satisfactory than such as should be greatly more extended even if they were less complete; whilst these continued labours have more and more satisfied me that limited grammatical comparisons are much more apt to give rise to error than limited glossarial ones. Perhaps the fascination of such extended inquiry may have somewhat biassed my judgment; but I am still decidedly of the opinion that the true relations of the most shifting and erratic, the most anciently and widely dispersed, branch of the human family cannot be reasonably investigated upon a contracted scale, while the subject is so vast that one must needs seek for some feasible means of grasping it in sufficient amplitude to comprehend its normal character (a thing rather of surface than of depth), at the same time that one neglects not more complete and searching investigation of certain actual or supposed characteristic samples. Such is the course I have been pursuing for some time past. I have examined, and am still examining, the complete grammatical structure of several of the Himálayan tongues; and I have at the same time submitted the whole of my vocabularies to the alembic of extended comparative analysis. I hope soon to be able to present the results to the Society. Those of the analysis have been fruitful beyond my hopes, owing to the extraordinary analogy pervading the Tartaric tongues in regard to the laws which govern the construction of all their vocables, save, of course, the monosyllabic ones, which, however, are very rare. Even a superficial examination of the vocabularies suffices to indicate this prevalence of common constructive principles; and to such persons as have neither time nor skill to trace and demonstrate those principles, the mere collocation of the terms as they stand, if done on a sufficiently ample scale, will afford such evidence of general relationship and family union between the whole of the Indian aborigines and the populations of Indo-China, Sífán, Tibet, and Himálaya, aye, and of China also, as philological

superciliousness will seek in vain to ignore; and still more so will the results of the analysis, empirical though that analysis must, to some extent, be admitted to be. It may be conceded at once that these vocabularies must necessarily contain a good deal of error, which could only be completely avoided by a perfect knowledge of each recorded tongue on the part of its recorder. But as the languages are counted by hundreds, and as very few of them ever were or ever will be cultivated, either by those who speak them or by others, it is obvious that such precision can never be reached. On the other hand, it is certain that practical results of great value have been reached by a much less superfine process than that insisted on; and that if we suppose some thousands of facts, so simple in their nature as the mere vocables of a language are, collected with ordinary care, their failing to subserve effectually some of the highest ends of ethnological science, more particularly if taken in connection with other available evidence, must result rather from the incompetency of him to whom they are submitted than from their own intrinsic deficiency. Vocabularies illustrate one another, and furnish to the skilful no small means of correction of palpable errors, if sufficiently numerous. They also furnish means of sound induction from analogy, as I hope to prove by and by beyond the possibility of cavil.

In a word, vocabularies seem to me very much like the little instrument which Hamlet puts into the hands of Polonius; a mere bit of perforated wood, which yet in competent hands can be made to discourse sweet music. Nor can I avoid some emotions of surprise and pain (for to disparage vocabularies is to discourage their collection) when I see learned men citing with applause the inferences built upon a few doubtful words picked out of a classic writer, or perchance out of some old map, and which yet are supposed to furnish sufficient evidence of the affinity of a lost tribe, renowned in the history of past times, whilst these same learned and eminent men allow themselves to speak of vocabularies containing some hundreds of words, carefully selected and deliberately set down from the mouths of those to whom they are mother-tongues, as if these vocabularies could not furnish any legitimate basis for inference

respecting ethnological affinities. But the objection adverted to is sufficiently answered by the valuable purposes which my series of vocabularies, long before completion, and with little or no resort to analysis, has been made actually to subserve; and therefore, I trust, it is no presumption in me to expect to be able to educe yet more ample and important results from their careful analysis* after completion. Fresh ones continue to flow in upon me still, and I have obtained not less than thirty, almost all new, since my analysis was nearly completed. This is the reason why it has been withheld—this, and the daily

* I subjoin a sample or two of my method of dealing with the vocables, to demonstrate, 1st, identity of roots; 2d, identity of adjuncts; 3d, identity of constructive principles :—

Sá, Burmese, a son
A-sá, } Limbu { a child
Ku-sa, } Limbu { a son
Ku-sú, Karnatak, a child
Ku-sé, Mikir, ditto
Ku-ko-s′, Oraon, ditto
Ta-ng-ko-s′, ditto, ditto

Sa (vel chá) is the root. It means a non-adult. Ka vel ga is the indefinite article, and a, the definite, or its equivalent = my, so that ku-sa is any child, and a-sá my child. Ta is = ka, and both take the nasal appendage, n, ng, or m. Oraon iterates the prefix and elides the vowel of its root—ta-ka-sa = ta-ga-pa below

Pá, passim, father
Ta-pé, Gyarung, ditto
Ka-pá, Kassia, ditto
Ta-ga-pá-n, Tamil, ditto
Wa-pé, Gyarung, ditto
U-pá, Hayu, ditto
W-ab′, Circassian, ditto
U-pá, Chintang, ditto
O-pá, Rangchhen, ditto
U-pá-p, Thulung, ditto
U-ka-pá, Kassia, ditto
Ap-ó, Chowrasi, ditto
A-pa, Waling, my father

The root speaks for itself. Gyarung has the ta and Kassia the ka prefix. They are commutable—ta vel da and ka vel ga—and the use of both is normal. Tamil exhibits both, and also the nasal suffix. The ta vel ka, used as an indefinite article, is a contraction of the third pronoun, another form of which is ú vel ó vel w. Hence u-pá, o-pá, wá-b vel wá-p, ta-pá, and ka-pá = pater illius vel istius, pater cujusvis, *a* father, whilst á-pá = *my* father, as above. Thulung iterates the root, and Kassia the articular prefix, like Tamil u-ka-pá = ta-ga-pá.

Yí-n } Chinese { Mankind, the species
Yú-n }
E-yá-n, Toder, father
You-k, Burmese, man, the male
Yó, Bhramu, a man
K-yó-ga, Tibetan, ditto
Yó, Savara, woman, mother
Yú-m, Tibetan, ditto
A-yú } Lepcha and Tamil { a wife
Ta-yú } { a woman
Ta-yí, Karnatak and Yerukala, a mother
Ta-ng-yó, Oraon, a mother
Ta-í } Khyi or Kassia { a mother; í =
Tha-i } Malabar { yi

Yá, yú, yí, the root, = man, the species, or the male or female, or the emphatic female, viz., mother. Chinese, Burmese, and Tibetan have the suffixual definitive m = n, as in Chinese and Tamil supra; k suffix, the same as k vel g prefix supra, such transposition being normal and exemplified in ap-ó = u-pá = wá-b, supra. Observe that the use of the prefixual a and ta, as respectively definite and indefinite articles, is common to Tamil, Lepcha, and Limbu. I might add Burmese, &c., &c. Malabar has ta prefix aspirated.

increasing skill in the use of that most potent of instruments, extended comparative analysis. But I cannot now expect, and

Er = Ré, Ouigur, man
Ar = Rá, Mikir, ditto
Ir = Rí, Bhaskir and Nogay, ditto
A-ir' = A-rí, Armenian, ditto
E-rí-l, Hó, ditto
E-ré-l, Sontál, ditto
E-ró-s, Hungarian, virilis
Wi-ró, Scythic, man
U-rí, Kasikumak, man
G-rí, Kocch and Dhimál, Paterfamilias
G-rá, Bódó, head of Pagus
E-rí-n, Kasikumak, man
T-rí-n, Shan, ditto
Ta-n-d-rí, Telugu, father
Ta-g-rí, Lepcha, man, father

The rá, ré, rí root for mankind is palpable throughout, and the prefixes and suffixes, as well as the cumulation of the former, are normal, and therefore harmonise with the preceding samples; thus, t-rí, g-rí, ta-g-rí, respond precisely to ta-pá, ka-pá, tá-gá-pá, aforegone, while n suffix of the Shan trí-n = the Tamil n in ta-ga-pá-n not less than the Telugu n in ta-n-d-rí. A vel e and u vel w prefixes recur just as in a-sá, a-pa, a-yú, e-yá-n, u-pá, and o-pá; so also the nasal infix, whilst the suffixed labial and sibilant are as normal as the other adjuncts.

The above samples are selected out of thousands, whereby, collectively, perfect proof is afforded that Tartaric vocables are everywhere subject to identical laws of construction and built out of identical materials. In the absence of books of authority to cite, the demonstration must of necessity be *par la voie du fait*, and depend on the fitness and number of instances. I am prepared with thousands of instances whose applicability or fitness will, I think, be allowed to be irresistibly convincing. Though we have good grammars, dictionaries, and books on some few of the many tongues I cite, I am not aware that the composition of vocables has at all engaged the attention of their authors. It is the rock I build on.

Addenda.—Under the head "Sá," Burmese, a son, add—

Sá-u, Thai, a son
O-sú, U-sá, Lazic, a child
D-sí, vel D-zí, Kuanchua, a son
T-sé, T-sé-i, Kong, a child
D-chú-i, Mantchu, ditto
Chó-a, Kocch, ditto
Kó-a,* Hó, a child

* Sá = chá on one hand, and ká on the other. The soft sa passes into za or zya (French j), and the hard cha into ka, as in church = kirk. Thus Hó kó = Kocch chó as surely as the suffix á = the prefix a, whether used as a definitely *or* indefinitely definitive article. A'-yú, Lepcha, a wife, shows it as quasi-definite, whilst á-káp, a child, gives the a an indefinite sense rather; and a-nak in Lepcha and Burmese, = the black, or a black one, is used either way.

The prefix da vel ta, by elision d', t', is as common a definitive as ka vel ga, with which it is constantly interchangeable; or both are given, as in ta-pá, ka-pá, ta-ga-pá; and a vel e prefix has often the indefinite-article sense, and thus also is used indifferently with ta and ka; thus Burmese a-yén vel ka-yén, an aborigine; and thus ta-vó vel ka-vó, a bird in Bugis. The most common of definitives, which are tantamount to articles usually indefinite, are t vel d, k vel g; n, ng, vel m; p, b, v, vel w; r vel l, and the vowels i, e, a, u, o, which are all pearly commutable, as being in origin = ille, iste. And all are liable to transposition, and thus to become suffixes, as well as to be *repeated* both prefixually and suffixually, as in Chinese t-sé-i and Mantchu d-chú-i, where sa vel cha = little, is the crude, and t-sé-i vel d-chú-i precisely our English "a little one." That this is so, compare Chinese tá = great and sé = small with Newari tá and chí having the same senses. Newari takes the ka, ga suffix, like Mantchu; thus, chí-ki, small; and d-chá-ka, a thing, in those tongues respectively.

hardly desire, any more new materials; and I hope, therefore, soon to be able to submit my examination of the whole.

Under the head "Yu-n," mankind, after the word "You-k," add the word—

K-yó-ga, Tibetan, a man, the male

Tibetan k-yó-ga, from the yá, yú, yó crude, shows the ka vel ga definitive in both forms (soft and hard) and in both positions (prefix and suffix). The correspondent word for the female is ki-mi = ka-mi in Kassia, and not less = ka-mi and ku-mi in the tongues so named, after the name for our species, in them. The sexual distributive use of ka and u prefixes in Kassia is only of secondary value, like the prefixual or postfixual position of the definitives; thus ap-ó in Chourasi and o-pá in Rungchhen, = pater istius or ejus pater, viz., a father, any one's father, are from mere dialects of the same tongue, Kiránti. Thus also sá-u, Thai, filius ejus = u-sá, o-sú, Lazic. Compare yo and k-yo with mari and k-mari,...lu-n and k-lu-n, &c., apud Mongol Affin. of Caucasians, Journal for January 1853; or above, pp. 51 ff.

Vocabulary of some of the Dialects of the Hill and Wandering Tribes in the Northern Sircars.

English.	*Kondh.*	*S'avara.*	*Gadaba.*	*Yerukala.*	*Chentsu.*
Air	billu	ringe	gamváyi	gáli*	batás
Ant	...	bobo	gusálá	chíma*	peppiḍe
Arrow	pinju	ám	sonai	yikke	konḍu, kánḍ
Bird	propámannéru	onti	piti	kokku, sogiḍe, kunju	chodai
Blood	rakko	míyamo	yignam	regam, vudaram	lahu
Boat	ṭekkinga	voḍá*	dóna	paḍava*	łá
Bone	pásu	ajágna	vonḍrámgóyi	yamaka*	haḍ
Buffalo	kóru	bognátel	vontsani	barre*	mohis
Cat	miyó	rámegná	girem	púna	billeyí
Cow	kháyi	tangli	banḍí	alamádu, púṭamáḍu	gáyi
Crow	káka	káká	guggá	selán, káka†	kovvá
Day	vujjyágu	tambá	simmyá	pammárú,‡ pangámáru	din
Dog	nahuḍi	kencho	guso	náyi	kukkúr
Ear	kirru	luv	niṇtiri	sóyí	kán
Earth	táṇá	labo	...	tarra	bhúyi
Egg	vaṭánga	are	mittá	muṭṭa	dimma
Elephant	hattanga	ra	kom	ána	hate
Eye	kannuka	amu	olló	supán	áyenkhi
Father	abbá	uwá	abbá	áva	bá
Fire	náḍi	tógo	sungol	nerupu	agin
Fish	mininga	áyo	aḍḍám	mínu	matstsó
Flower	sáru	taraba	sari	puvvu*	phúl
Foot	vestámu	aji	adugésenáuu	medapán, kéru	khoju
Goat	vodangá	kime	yimme	áḍú	chheli
Hair	tlámberakha	avu	jarli	vonḍu, mogurú	kéms
Hand	káju	asi	titti	kayi, ki	hát
Head	tlávu	abóbumv, abumv	bo	vonḍu, talayi	múnḍ
Hog	pajji	kimbo	gibbi	panḍri	suvvar, ghusiri

† In Telugu, káki.

‡ Telugu, pagalu.

English.	*Kondh.*	*S'avara.*	*Gadaba.*	*Yerukala.*	*Chentsu.*
Horn	kosko	ajigna	nirri	kómmu*	sing
Horse	goḍá	kuḍata	kirtyám	kudara	ghóḍó
House	yiḍḍu	súgna	deyyón	vúḍu	ghór
Iron	luharigá	lómá	vonchani	yerunbu	loho
Leaf	áka	olá	vollá	yale, yaláku	pát
Light	vujwálá	tambá	taráḍutu	valuku	díp, vujjait
Man	lokká	manḍra	lokko	munasam	mánús
Monkey	kóju	karóyi	gusá	kóte*	mákaḍ
Moon	layiḍi	vongá	arke	tarra	másu
Mother	ayyá	yo	peṇamma	táyi	má
Mountain	soru	baru	koṇḍá	geṭṭu	parvat
Mouth	sùḍḍa	amúká	tummó	váyi	mú
Mosquito	vihángá	abubbo	kirigi	yeyyi	mussó
Name	paddá	vonneman	nenimmede	andu	ná
Night	...	tógolo	tungol	ravu, náváru	ráyit
Oil	níju	miyyalo	sól	rganna, vanna	tél
Plantain	táḍi	kinte	vusubullu	nivále	koḍel, sodail
River	jóḍi	náyi	roggilu	áru	loddi, Jadí
Road	páhóri	ṭangóra	kungóru	yegi	báṭ
Salt	vuppanga	basi	bittì	sonava	nún
Skin	pándá	wusál	artá	tálu	chamaḍá
Sky	mudengi	agásá	koṇḍá	ménu	sarg
Snake	soráso	ja	buḍubu	túna	sáp
Star	sukálá	tute	tsukka	tsukka*	bhuḍaká
Stone	viḍḍi	arregna	birel	kellu	paththar
Sun	belá	vuyu	singi	proddu, beruli*	belá
Tiger	króḍi	kina	yekkilí	nálugáḍee	bág
Tooth	ahámu	ajágna	ginná	pallam, pelivelu	dát
Tree	mránu	anébagna	sunabbo	cheḍe, marom	gáts
Village	náju	gorajáng, ḍa	yiugoma	náḍu	gá
Water	srídrú	dá	ḍeyyá	tanni	páni
Yam	gáṇḍikúna	gane	dampu	aluvele	sarú, sakarkanda

I	anu	gna	naisá	nánu	hame, hami
Thou	yínu	aman	nó	nínú	tumyi, tú, yike
He	yánju	ani	tulokku	avanu	vú, vamhí
She	toliyadu	ani	tulo	avalu, paiḍi	mayyáṭa, vú
It	mónju	ani	tulo	adu	vahe, vú
We	...	móni	neyam	námu, namburu	hame
Ye	...	aman	pen	níngalu, avaru	te, tumyí
They	...	ani	mai	tilá, aválu	vamhi
Mine	nánde	gránate	noinyo	nunguḍedi, namburudu	hamár
Thine	mínde	amannate	nenne	ningaḍeo, ningaḍidi	thór
His	yevánetará	ani-nate	mayinó	avanudu, attamuḍidi	vahár
Ours	...	móni-nate	niyyinó	namburudu	hamár
Yours	...	aman-nate	...	ningalide, ninebuḍudu	thór
Theirs	...	ani-nate	mayyinó	avanudu	vahár
One	róndi	áboy	vokaṭi*	vonḍu	yék
Two	jóḍeká	bágu	renḍu*	renḍu	duyi
Three	tinigoṭá	yági	múḍu*	múme	tín
Four	sári	vonji	nálugu*	nálu	chár
Five	pánchu	mollayi	aỳidu*	anju	pánch
Six	só	kudru	áru*	áru*	chhé
Seven	sáta	gulji	yéḍu*	yégu, vógu	sát
Eight	áṭa	ṭamuji	yenimide*	yeṭṭu, vaṭṭu	áṭh
Nine	nogaṭṭá	tinji	tommidi*	ombadu	ló, tóṭá
Ten	dosó	galiji	padi*	pattu, pottu	das
Twenty	kóḍe	bokoḍi	yiruvai*	yiravadu, yirapottu	bís, panchgandá
Thirty	tirisigoṭṭá	bokoḍigaliji	muppai*	muppadu	sátgandá dóyícha pandrágandá
Forty	chalisigoṭṭá	bágukoḍi	nalabhai	nalubadu, nárarakapottu	pouṇ, dasgandá
Fifty	panchásó	bágukoḍigaliji	yábhai*	anjarakapottu	bárágandá doyícha
Hundred	sohó	molloyikoḍi	núru*	pattu padulu, pottarakapottu	panch voḍi
Of	...	ti	móyi	vakka	vór
To	...	ti	nó	ku*	ku
From	...	sitholo	róm	nunche*	singa
By	...	sitholo	róm	valla*	soyi
With	...	ruhá	bonóm	tóṭe*	sang
Without	...	yejja	vuregusu	yilladóṭe	návunánai

English.	*Kondh.*	*S'avara.*	*Gadaba.*	*Yerukala.*	*Chentsu.*
In	...	lógna	r	kóre, kóku	t, gánt
On	séndó	lanka	te	paini*	vuparóru, vuparót
Now	iddáli	nami	á	yeppuḍu*	yekhán, yechini
Then	...	namóḍe	appuḍu	appuḍu*	tekhán, areghoḍi
When	yeseká	yenga	yinḍoyi	yeppuḍu*	kekhán, kekkoṇeki
To-day	nenju	nangadini	yinchá	ímán	ayije, ájko
To-morrow	rasi	biyo	beyyar	nesú	káyil
Yesterday	...	amanni	minḍe	nesú yennáyi	káyil, porusú
Here	...	tenne	tennó	yaṭukire, yinge	íhaná, yechhini
There	...	voḍite	tonnó	aṭukire, ange	unhaná, vuha
Where?	...	téngá	ammanó	yiṭe, yenge	kuhaná, kahá
Above	...	lanka	tommá	méne	vupár, vuparót
Below	neḍe	jáyitá	alóm	tallen	tolót, tól
Between	madde	lanka	vomiḍi	neḍuve	mayidhit, móyid
Without, outside	...	voḍite	valumúsá	bele	bahar
Within	...	alógna	vomiḍi	vulle	bhitar
Far	aṭumané	sangayi	sulóm	túra, kiṭṭe	dúr
Near	...	tuya	tantel	kiṭṭa, kiṭṭáyi	lág
Little	yíke	téte	khanḍiki	rútana	ráj, choṇe
Much	púrá áte	barí	burre	mettá	bhórí
How much?	mesóṇi	ḍite	aḍḍisugó	yiṭṭana	ketta, kettagulá
As	...	...	...	...	lakha
So	...	kanínásan	vottu	aṭe	vú, vumané
Thus	yísingi	yetténá	vókke	yiṭe	yí, yemune
How?	...	yéngá	yeránḍi	yaṭe	kemune
Why?	annáḍeki	jitásamgná	...	yemmatuku, phaláyá	kissále
Yes	vujje	jáḍite, ó ó	vóm	ambó	schchhá, hoyyá
No	...	yajja	vúre	yillá	nahí
(Do) not	kunámá	ṭiggo	ayide	mánu, yikkara	kámnai, kámnahi
And, also	...	...	tonnó	num	ke, ye, ye
Or	...	...	vúre	taradote	nahi
This	...	ani	...	avanu	vahare, vu

That	*yerivi*	*ani*	*tónó*	*adu*	vahe, ke
Which?	yestánju	vongá	bhulóm	yedu	kabá
What?	anná	vongáḍo	...	yanna, yemmatuku	kí, kochcher
Who?	yestánju, yínu	bote	láyi	yáru	ke, vuhe
Anything	annátiki	yetagáni, jitagáni	máḍisá	yemmadainá	kíchu, jehaive
Anybody	yestánáte	bote, bótegáni	loyisá	yeduayiná	kevu, jehaive
Eat	tinumu*	gába, jombá	sóm	vunu, kulla	khá, khayye
Drink	punamu	gába	yíḍu	kuḍi	pí, piyer
Sleep	dohumu	dímebá	eyyá	tuggudayi, varugu	súl, sutiyár
Wake	ningáḍaháṁu	dímegó	móḍukusudukká	teligayirukku, dindugunḍuyiru	jágleró, jágalerahó
Laugh	kakkumu	mágnába	luḍḍó	sirilá, chirike	hás
Weep	...	kam yite	borryó	agulá, agu	kánd, kandiyár
Be silent	kinni jáminnú	kaḍangámá	vayisodukka	summa, tsummateyiru	ttsupérahó, tsupparo
Speak	katágehámu	birdána	sammeva	vátésula, vésetallá	kathhákó, kathhá
Come	ninju	jáyeba	phinge	vá, várá	asibo, asili
Go	nallákanju	maba	vóyináyare	pó*	jáyivi, já
Stand up	nistámu	ḍeḍebá	tune ná	nikkebogu, ninḍrukonḍuyiru	thá dóho
Sit down	kukkumu*	góbá	vaisá	vukká, vukkárinḍiri	bos
Move, walk	kujinámu	yírba	vamsu	naḍá	tsó
Run	gyáhamu	naḍam	ḍugga	vóḍu	bég
Give	siyáninju	tilisibba	cheḍive	tá, vanko	ne diyo
Take	kúvay	yama	ḍemá	vákó, vánkemáṭe	niyyó, niyá
Strike	vetámu	teda	buvó	mottu	már, maryó
Kill	vesámáhudu	kílisibba	abboye	kolusu, kollu	marephelá, morevaleyó
Bring	támu	pangayiba	yinḍre	yiṭṭikonḍu	áne, diyá
Take away	aháńesamallmu	págná lá yírba	sógusiyyá	yiṭṭikonḍupó, vákkondupómu	nikejá, niyá
Lift up, raise	densumu	lanka	lenó	yeḍuḍu	tól
Hear	venjámu	anḍángá	vóvo	keru, kéṭu	sún
Understand	anupunnenju	anḍángalayi	memyá avure	telentsu	málúm
Tell, relate	vesámu	appungá	tsúnó	sonnu	ko
Good	nekkánju	ampase	jalem	nalla	achháye, bhálá
Bad	nekkánju áye	seḍéle	nimmakávó	keṭṭa, keṭṭasu	kharáb
Cold	jilliminju	soyi vuḍede	tsallarí	musunu	síttalá
Hot	rumúrumam	toggayi	gechem	vuḍuku*	jóru, ṭapta
Raw	saḍáde	amegna	broluká	pasuru	kanchó, káchoṭá
Ripe	mránutangi sendijaninju	agúrunate	mágegisá, bullo	mágisu, panḍisu	mugilá pakká

English.	*Kondh.*	*S'avara.*	*Gadaba.*	*Yerukala.*	*Chentsu.*
Sweet	sendijáninju	mana	sabbulká	teyyanikkiri*	miṭhá
Sour	trahane	aragna	susoká	pulladikkiri	ammutó
Bitter	pittáyine	asa	vusám	ketstsu	titto
Handsome	...	ambasanate	limmókká	nalla	bhalláṭi, sundor
Ugly	sonjabasdhe	ambaste	nimmokávórá	nalladillá	kharáb
Straight	soddemanne	barídakó	lakoḍuttu	sadunu	sorichhaiyye, sorikará-hache
Crooked	bankadájúne	kokkade	ḍairoyi	vankara*	bankó
Black	kálájáná	je	yiḍe	kaleḍe	kallá, kaliṭa
White	sukkáre	palu	tatár	valeḍá	vujula, savarniṭa
Red	gérú	soyipu	beraiḍuttu	yarraḍekirá	goriya, gorinṭa
Green	...	volámbidídakuvu	vólempatstsa	yalátstsággó	harihjal, sabuniya
Long	lambájámu	jelo	tiyyár	vasaram, aragam	vunchó, namóṭá
Short	koggári	ḍoyina	ḍille	kuratsa	khaṭa
Tall man	...	lanka	tiyyár	vasaram	namó
Short man	...	ḍoyina	poṭṭe	ardullá	khaṭóṭi
Small	...	sonna	mengen	chinnakerum, siruváyan	khopati
Great	deranju	gogo	muḍó	berudu	badaká
Round	...	gudi, solágundu	biregunḍu	gundu*	chatan, goṭyaṭi
Square	taṭṭu	onjimúlalanka bagná, sagnádaku	duttu	tsadaram*	sadunúta, chakkata
Flat	rósarola	samangaḍele	sadunugáḍulta	sadanu*	chekunó, chakkakini
Fat	gellu ayininju	kovvuḍéle	bhirúgu	kovvitsu, nenamu	telubhariya, tellaraṭa
Thin	banda ayininju	palapalasan	palasanadulta	bakkadu	saruvoti, sakunaṭa
Weariness	lahíte	...	burre	ayyósu	haran, vusiki
Thirst	yesengepekmanenju	araga	yide	dagga, dappikonu	pyaslagi, pyas
Hunger	chatanganki pannenju	ḍolejan	kuddu	soda, peruntsu	bhúk, bhoku

NOTE.—The words marked thus * are also Telugu words. Many of the vocables of the Yerukala people correspond with the Tamil words representing the same objects; and many also of the Chentsu words resemble the Hindustani.

ABORIGINES OF THE NILGIRIS, WITH REMARKS ON THEIR AFFINITIES.

In the autumn of last year I forwarded to the Society a series of Nilgirian vocabularies. This paper was printed soon after in the Journal, but without the accompanying prefatory remarks, which seem to have been accidentally mislaid and omitted.

I now forward some corrections and additions to that paper, and shall take the opportunity to mention what, in substance, those prefatory remarks contained.

The Nilgirian vocabularies were prepared for me by the German missionaries at Kaity, particularly Mr. Metz, and were then examined and approved by the venerable Schmid, who is now residing at Utakamund, and who added some remarks, partly referring to his own valuable labours in Indian Ethnology, and partly consisting of corrections of my Ceylonese series of vocables. The latter are appended to the present paper.

When the Nilgirian vocabularies reached me, I immediately perceived that the verbs were not uniformly given in the imperative mood as required; and I therefore wrote again to Utakamund desiring that this anomaly might be rectified, and also supplying some further forms, the filling up of which might furnish me with some few essentials of the grammar of the tongues in question.

The subjoined paper exhibits the result, and from it and from some further remarks furnished by Mr. Metz and others I derive the following particulars relative to the people, and to the grammar and affinities of their speech.

The form and countenance of the Nilgirians, and especially of the Todas, have now been spoken of for years as though these people differed essentially in type from the neighbouring races, and had nothing of the Tartar in their appearance. The like has been said also of the Hó or Lerka of Singhbhum. I have always been inclined to doubt both these assertions, and I have lately had opportunity to confirm my doubt. My

friend Sir J. Colvile, our Society's able President, having lately visited the Nilgiris, I requested his attention to the point, desiring him to procure me, if he could, some skulls * and photographic portraits. Of the latter he obtained for me two, which are herewith transmitted, and which Sir James sent me with the following remarks:—"I am not much versed in these matters, and I confess I was at first insensible (like others) of the Tartaric traits you speak of, the Roman nose and long beard of the Todas more especially making me fancy there was something Semitic in their lineage. But when I showed the passage in your letter to Dr. M'Cosh, he said you were right, and that, in spite of the high nose, there were strong Tartaric marks, particularly in the women. The Badagas, who are considered to be of as old date in the hills as the Todas, have a very uniform cast of countenance, not easily distinguishable from the ordinary inhabitants of the plains below the hills." These last are of course Dravidian or Tamulian, and the comparison drawn is therefore instructive, and doubly so when we advert to the indubitable evidence of language, which leaves no doubt as to the common origin of the highland and lowland, the uncultivated and the cultivated, races of Southern India, as we shall presently see.

Upon the origin and affinity of the highlanders Sir James observes, "People who know a good deal of the Todas say, that wherever they may have originally come from, they have less claim to be considered aborigines of these hills than the Kotas, not more than the Badagas, and are thought not to date higher than some four hundred years in their present abode." Mr. Metz, the resident missionary, who furnished the vocabularies, observes on this head, "The Kotas have so much intercourse with the Badagas that they are often not conscious whether they speak Badaga or their own language. Their original home was Kollimale, a mountainous tract in Mysore. The Kotas understand the Todas perfectly when they speak in the Toda tongue, but answer them always in the Kota dialect, which the Todas perfectly understand."

* Neither Sir James nor any of the other parties I applied to could obtain for me any skulls.

"A Toda tradition states that the Todas, Kotas, and Kurumbas had lived a long time together on the hills before the Badagas came. I know places on the hills where formerly Kurumba villages existed, but where none are now found. It is well known that the Kurumbas were driven down from the healthful summit to the malarious slopes of the hills, and I have strong reasons for believing that the cromlechs and cairns of the hills were made by the ancestors of the Kurumbas, and not by those of the Todas, as is generally supposed by Europeans." In entire conformity with those views of the aspect and origin of the Nilgirians is the evidence of language, which palpably demonstrates the relationship of the highland races to the lowland races around them. The amply-experienced and well-informed Schmid has no doubt of that relationship, which indeed he who runs may read on the face of the vocabularies formerly and now submitted.* And it is well deserving of note that whilst that vocabular evidence bears equally upon the question of the affinity of the cultivated tribes around the Nilgiris, this latter affinity is now maintained as an unquestionable fact by the united voices of Ellis, Campbell, Westergaard, Schmid, Elliot—in short, of all the highest authorities.

We may thus perceive the value of the evidence in question with reference to the uncultivated tribes, as to whose affinity to each other and to the cultivated tribes Mr. Metz writes thus, "When I came up to the hills, the Badagas told me that the language I used, which was Canarese, was the Kurumba language." This reminds us of what we are told by another of that valuable class of ethnological pioneers, the missionaries, who reports that "Speaking Tamulian of the extreme south, he was understood by the Gonds beyond the Nerbudda." Nor can one fail to remark how this latter observation points to the great fact that Turánian affinities are not to be circumscribed by the Deccan, nor by the Deccan and Central India, nor, I may here add, by the whole continent of India, but spread beyond it into Indo-China, Himálaya, and the northern regions beyond Himálaya, irrespectively of any of those

* See the Tamulian proper, the Ceylonese and the Nilgirian proper.

specially marked barriers and lines of separation which Logan and Müller have attempted to establish—the former, on physical and lingual grounds; the latter, on lingual only. My own conviction is, that we find *everywhere* throughout the regions now tenanted by the progeny of Tur a large range of variation, physical and lingual, but one not inconsistent with essential unity of type, though the unity is liable, nay, almost certain to be overlooked, whether our point of view be anatomical, physiological, or philological, unless we carefully eschew confined observation such as misled Captain Harkness about the appearance of the Todas, and not less Captain Tickell about the appearance of the Hó. I have adverted to Harkness' mistake above. I will now add a few words as to my brother-in-law Tickell's. Last season Captain Ogilvie, Tickell's successor, in the charge of that very district wherein the latter studied the Hó physical and lingual characteristics, came to Darjiling. I questioned him regarding the alleged fairness and beauty of the Hó, and well knowing that, without samples before him, Captain Ogilvie must be unable to give a definite answer, produced, from among the many always here, four no doubt unusually fair, well-made, and well-featured U'ráo*n* and Mún*d*a men, but still all in the service of one gentleman, and I then interrogated him. Captain Ogilvie's answer was distinct, that the men before him were nearly or quite as fair and handsome as the Hó of Singhbhúm, and not either in feature or in form essentially distinguishable from the Hó, whose lingual characteristics, again, we now know, are so far from being peculiar that they are completely shared by the wide-spread tribe of Sontál, and almost as completely by the Mún*d*a, Bhúmij, U'ráo*n*, Male, and Gónd, not to speak of other and remoter tribes of Himálaya and Indo-China having the widely diffused pronomenalised verb type of the Turánian tongues.* Not that I would lay the same stress upon these nicer characteristics of language, as

* Viz., the Nága, Dhimáli, Háyu, Kuswár, Bótia, Kiránti, Límbu, Chepáng, Kusunda, and Bhrámu, of all which I hope soon to speak. All these tongues, of which the first is Indo-Chinese and the rest are Himálayan, belong to the pronominalised class.

seems at present to be so much the fashion in high quarters. But, on the contrary, I would choose, as a Turánian philologist, to rely rather upon extent than depth of observation, still remembering that by far the greatest number of Turánian tribes are not merely unlettered, but too many of them also, for ages past, broken and dispersed, barbarously ignorant and miserably segregated, like the Nilgirians.

The niceties of such men's languages can never be accurately reached by us, unless we would devote a whole life to the research; and, moreover, these niceties are certain to exhibit a great many anomalies, and to be now present, now absent, under circumstances which, whether the absence were originally caused by impatient rejection, by casual non-development, or by spontaneous or factitious decomposition, must detract greatly from the value and certainty of any inferences founded thereon; whilst in regard to the more civilised tribes, we often positively know and may always prudently suspect that *their* lingual refinements, when they differ from those of the ruder tribes, are so far from being special illustrations of the true *norma loquendi* of the Tartars that they are exotic and borrowed traits. From this digression (which has reference to Müller's remarks on the relative value of vocabular and grammatical evidence) I return to my subject by giving the following observation of Mr. Metz upon the affinity of the several Nilgirian tongues now before us, merely premising upon the interesting subject of the character and habits of these tribes what Sir James Colvile in his recent visit heard and observed. "They are idle, dirty, intemperate, and unchaste. Polyandry has always existed among them, and their women are now addicted to general prostitution with men of other races, so that they must soon die out; and, in fact, I think the population is scantier than it was when I was last here, though so few years back." Upon this I may remark that the traits observed in the Nilgiris are thoroughly Tartar, and as such are widely prevalent in the Himálaya and Tibet. Even the civilised tribe of the Newárs, who, by the way, have a recorded tradition uniting them with the Malabár Náirs—a name identical, they say, with Neyár or Newár (y and w

being intercalary letters)—were once polyandrists, and are still regardless of female chastity, whilst the Tibetans were and are notoriously both.

Mr. Metz, on the subject of the dialectic differences of the Nilgirian tongues, observes:—

"The differences of the several languages of the hill tribes consist, not so much in idiom as in mere pronunciation. But that is so great that the same or nearly the same word in the mouth of a Toda, with his pectoral pronunciation, can scarcely be recognised as the same in the mouth of a Kota, with his dental pronunciation. The Badaga and Kurumba dialects are midway between the former two with regard to pronunciation, only the Badaga is a little more guttural than the Kurumba.

"There is some difference even in the speech of the several branches, or remotely located groups, of any one tribe. For instance, those of the Badaga tribe who, like the Kangaru or Lingaits, emigrated from Targuru and came to the hills at a later period than the others, speak a purer Canarese than the common Badagas. So also the Todas among themselves have differences of pronunciation according to the different districts they inhabit; for instance, some pronounce the s quite pure, others like z, and others again like the English th. And in like manner the Kurumbas round the slopes of the hills have so many little variations in their speech according to the situation of their villages (Motta) on the south, east, or west side of the hills, that it is difficult to say what the real Kurumba tongue is. In Malli, the chief Kurumba place on the south slope, the language is much mixed with Tamil."

I will now conclude with a few remarks on the grammatical traits exhibited by the subjoined papers.

Phonology.

As much as is forthcoming on this head has been expressed in the vocabular part of this paper and the remarks appended to it. It may be advisable, however, to repeat here that the presence of the English th, and its frequent substitution for s and z, and the equivalence of the two latter, are so far from

being exclusively Toda, as Schmid supposed, that they are common in Indo-China, Himálaya, and Tibet. Tibetan abounds in sibilants, having, besides the s, ch series, an equivalent z, zy, dz series. The former is possibly borrowed. At all events, z, zy, dz, and ts, tch are very much commoner in use than the Arian s, ch, series. The second z, represented by me by zy, and equal to the French j in jeu, is the same with the Tamil zh of Ellis and Elliot. It is a very prevalent sound, and equally prevalent is the French u, or eu in jeu aforesaid. Neither is ever heard from an Arian mouth; but the Himálayans most infected with Arian ways and habits are now gradually substituting Arian j for their own z, and Arian u for their own eu. D is also taking the place of their hard and aspirated z (dz and zh), and thus the Tibetan word zhí-ká-tsén and Newári Zhí-khá-chhén,* the name of the capital of Tsáng, has become Dígarché with those who use the popular and spreading Khas language, which language we hereby perceive also preferring sonants to surds (g for k), whereas the written Tibetan and Newári, like the Tamil and Toda, having a preference for surds.

But Tibetan is spoken with all the variety of hard and soft pronunciation noticed by Mr. Metz as characterising spoken Toda and indeed the whole of the Nilgiri dialects; and as there are few things more normally Turánian than the wide extent of legitimate, habitual commutability between the consonants and between the vowels also of the languages of the family, so I consider that to lay so much stress as is often

* The etymology of this word is curious and important with reference to the evident identity of the term Tibetan. And it is hardly too much to say that the family identity of the two tongues (Newári and Tibetan) might be rested on it.

It means in Newári "the four-housed," zhi or zyi being four, khá the generic sign for houses, and chhén being house. De Körös has said nothing about that most fundamental sign of the Turánian tongues, the generic or segregative signs; but I have good reason to assume that this is one of the several serious defects of his grammar, and that Tibetan ká is = Newári khá, as zhi = zhi, and tsén = chén, though khyim be now the commoner form of the word in written Tibetan. Zhí-khá-chhén or Zhí-ká-tsén Turanice = Dígarchén Arianice, is the name of the capital of Tsáng—why styled "the four-housed" I cannot learn. But three *such* elements, composing one word identical in form and in sense in two separate languages, involve the family oneness of these languages.

done on merely phonetic peculiarities is a great mistake on the part of Turánian ethnologists, and one apt to lead them much astray when in search of ethnic affinities. For example, the Myamma is questionless one language, notwithstanding that its phonetic peculiarities in Ava and in Arrakan are very marked; and a particular friend of mine, who is "genuinely Saxon, by the soul of Hengist," can by no means deal fairly by r, sh, or th, but calls hash has; shoes, soes or toes or thoes; brilliant, bwilliant; there, dere; thought, tought, &c.* A Londoner is not less Saxon, surely, because he is wont to "wow that weal, wine, and winegar are wery good wittals."

Article.

Mr. Metz says there is none whatever, but I feel pretty sure that the usual equivalents are recognised, viz., the numeral *one*, or the indefinite pronoun *some, any*, in lieu of the indefinite article; and the demonstratives in lieu of the definite, as also the segregatives van, val, and du, or an, al, and ad, for the three genders, or ál and pé for the major of gender, used as suffixes, and widely applicable to nouns (qualitives)—less widely and uniformly to verbs. We should always remember that the so-called segregatives or generic signs are essentially articles, definite or indefinite according to the context.

Adjectives.

All qualitives which seem to embrace, as usual, the nominal (genitive), pronominal, participial, numeral, and adjectival, appear to be used both substantivally and adjectivally, and, when employed in the former way, to add to their crude, as a suffix, the appropriate generic sign, which, in the case of the participle, gives it a relative sense or an agentive, just as in English, *the* or *a striker*, or *the* or *a striking person* (*or thing*), and *the* or *a hard thing*, are equivalent respectively to *the person who strikes* and *the thing which is hard.* But the latter form of speech is quite Anti-Turánian.

* "Three fresh fishes in the dishes" is, in the mouth of the same friend, "Tree fes fises in the dises."

Qualitives are always prefixed when not used affirmatively or substantivally. If placed after the noun they become affirmative, including in their sense the substantive verb. *Man* (is) *mortal. That* (is) *mine. This the striker = this is the person who strikes.** *He* (is) *loving one* or *lover = one who loves. That one* (is) *the black = that is the black one.* Give me *the black = the black being* or *thing*—a difference which must be expressed, and with the sign of gender, too (an, al), in the former event. *This person two person = this one is the second person* (rend-al),† &c. Gender is fully marked in qualitives by the use of the suffixes van, val, du, or an, al, ad = hic, hæc, hoc. But these forms are very imperfectly reproduced in the verb, indeed can hardly be traced except in Badaga and Kurumba, where the following is unmistakable evidence of them.

English.	*Badaga.*	*Kurumba.*
He strikes	Hui-d-an	Hui-t-an
She strikes	Hui-d-al	Huiyu-t-al
It strikes	Hui-d-ad	Huiyu-t-ad

The major and minor of gender in beings, not things, seem to be denoted by ál and pé suffixes—words having still the independent signification of man and woman. In Toda, moreover, adum marks the common gender as a separate pronoun, and tan‡ as a conjunct prefix. I am not sure as to the major and minor of gender, because the verb does not exhibit them in the peculiar manner of the cultivated Dravidian tongues or otherwise.

* In Newári it would be, ú-hma dáya-hma, which is in every particular of idiom Dravidian, hma being the van or ál suffix of the above tongues, and its affixing to the verbal form rendering that a relative participle.

† Here final ál is not the contracted sign of the feminine suffix aval, but is the name for man used as a suffix.

‡ The prefix ta, with or without the nasalisation tan, tang, and with or without the causulate equivalent ka vel ga, is widely prevalent to the north and south, as I have noticed in a recent paper; and so also the other equivalent a vel e, witness ta-pe, ka-pa, ta-ga-pa-n, a-pa-e-ri, g-ri, ta-g-ri, tan-d-ri, a-yi, ta-yi, tan-g-yo, for man and woman in Gyarung, Kassia, Kiránti, Bódó, Kócch, Tamil, Lepcha, Uraon, &c. Those who deny family connection between the Himálayan and Dravidian tongues are requested to pause over ta-g-ri (Lepcha), and tan-d-ri (Telugu), for man, and a-yi vel ta-ye, in both tongues, for woman—roots, ri and yi, vel i.

Noun.

The papers furnish no sample of declension, but it may be safely inferred that it is simply postpositional with cases ad libitum, or none at all, according to the view taken of declension. Gender is marked either by separate words, such as *man, woman; cock, hen;* or by sexual prefixes like our *he-goat* and *she-goat;* or, lastly, the generic word bears also a male or female sense, when the feminine or masculine gender, as the case may be, is distinguished by the fitting sign prefixed. So Burmese sa means *child* and *boy*, and mí-sá, or *female child*, means *girl.** I know not whether the suffixes van, val, and du, or ál and pé (pen, pem—the latter equal major of gender), are added to substantives as well as to qualitives, but I think not. Instances occur in Telegu, but not generally in the Dravidian tongues, nor in the northern.

The major and minor of gender (quasi, hic et hæc facilis; hoc, facile) are common in the Himálaya, Indo-China, and Tibet, but I have nowhere in the north found the fully-developed masculine, feminine, and neuter of the south.

In regard to number, the Nilgirian nouns are very defective, having no distinct and uniformly employed dual or plural inflexion or sign. But they seem to follow the cultivated Dravidian in so far as having no dual, but having the double, or exclusive and inclusive, plural at least in the separate pronouns and in the personal endings of the verb. Irula has not even the latter. In the Himálayan tongues it is often difficult to make out disjunct dual and plural forms of the substantive, even when the distinct and conjunct pronouns exhibit an exclusive and inclusive form both of the dual and of the plural of the first person, with correspondent verb forms as is the case in the Kiránti language. The source of the defective plural sign of nouns is to be sought in the fact that Turánian vocables generally, in their crude state, bear the largest and specific or generic meaning—a peculiarity well exemplified by the English word sheep. In the Nilgiri tongues neuter nouns

* The mí is often suffixed. Thus ta and ta-wa, a child, is tu-mi, a girl, in Háyu and Kiránti.

always lack, says Mr. Metz, a plural form. So also in Newári, which further agrees with the Dravidian tongues in annexing the generic signs to all qualitives, whereas the Himaláyan tongues, even those of the pronomenalised type, often omit the sign with pronouns and participles, though they annex it to other qualitives. Masculine nouns form it occasionally by changing final ṅ into r in Toda (kullan, *a thief;* kullar, *thieves*), or by adding the plural sign kal vel gal in Badaga and Irula.

Pronouns.

Pronouns and pronominal forms are greatly developed in the Nilgirian languages,* as in all the Turánian tongues, reminding us, when viewed in connection with the paucity of true conjugational forms, of the fine remark that "rude people think much more of the actors than of the action." We have in the Nilgiris, 1st, personal and possessive forms; 2d, among the former forms excluding and including the person addressed (we—not you, and we—including you); 3d, among the latter, or possessives, two complete series, according as the pronouns are used conjunctively or disjunctively. I have given all these; and their forms, changes of form and uses, would alone suffice to prove the perfect identity of the Nilgirian tongues with those of the cultivated Dravidian class. The conjunct pronouns are prefixed to nouns, suffixed to verbs. But those which denote genders (proper to the third person only) are generally used suffixually with all qualitive nouns, which thus pass from the adjectival to the substantival category. This latter peculiarity is common to the Himálaya and Tibet, and is found even among the non-pronomenalised tongues, such as written Tibetan and Newári,† and likewise among the Indo-

* Kiránti, Váyu, &c., of Himálaya, show a wonderful agreement with what Müller calls the Mūnda class of languages in Central India. In all these tongues alike not only the agents (singular, dual, and plural, and inclusive and exclusive of the two latter), but the objects, are welded into the verb, thus showing the maximum of pronomenalisation, whereas the action is nearly smothered by the actors, who, moreover, all reappear in the participial forms.

† *e.g.*, Sinya-hma, the wooden one (an idol), nominal (sin = wood, ya = genitive); u-hma, the that-pronominal; chha-hma, the one-numeral; dá-hma, the striker, participial; hyáku-hma, the black-adjectival.

Chinese tongues, whose wong, pong is clearly the Dravidian van. The former also is found in the Himálaya, but, of course, among the pronomenalised languages only. But among them we have samples of the conjunct pronoun being used prefixually with nouns, and suffixually with verbs, as in the Dravidian tongues,* and others of the use of both suffixually, as in the West Altaic and Ugrofinnic groups of languages.* Separate

* Two forms :—

Háyu	am-pa um-pa wa, u -pa	ang-upa ung-upa wathim-pa	My Thy His	father	To'-p-mum To'-p-num To'-p-t-um or To'-p-um	struck me. struck thee. struck him.
Kiránti Báhing	a-pa i-po † a-po	,, ,, ,,	My Thy His	father	Tip-t-óng Tip-t-ú Tip-t-á	I, Thou, He — struck.
Kiránti Bontáwa	ung-pa am-pa eu-pa	,, ,, ,,	My Thy His	father	Mo-v-úng Tá mó-v-ú Mó-v-eú	I, Thou, He — struck.
Kuswar	baba-im baba-ir baba-ik	,, ,, ,,	My Thy His	father	Thatha-im-ik-an Thatlia-ir-ik-an Thatha-ik-an	I, Thou, He — struck.

REMARKS.—The Háyu conjunct pronoun (see first form) is falling out of use. Form second gives the full possessive before u-pa used for father, though it be literally a father, any father, his father, pater illius vel istius vel ejus vel cujusvis præter me et te. The verb is given in the objective or agento-objective form = the passive, the active voice no longer showing clearly the pronomenalisation. There is now used instead of this form, and perhaps ever was (it is a question of decomposition *versus* non-development), in the *active* voice the form seen in the sequel in khwa-chammi, I, thou, he, feed (self). Here it would be to'-p-ummi, or top-t-ummi (p = Bontáwa v, being the transitive sign, iterated or not, in the form of t), I, thou, he, struck. In Báhing also, which has a clear discrimination of time into present cum future and past, the former is ti-b-ú, ti-b-í, ti-b-á, I, thou, he, strike or will strike. In these samples we see again the transitive sign b = p = v, and this sign discriminated clearly from the temporal sign or t. The manner in which pá becomes pó in the Báhing noun (pá, my father ; pó = pa-u, anybody's father) is most suggestive, and should warn us against laying such undue stress on the position (prefix or postfix) of the conjunct pronouns. Frequently both are used, the former being in the full separate form and the

† The following is a better illustration :—

wá popo í popo á popo	my, thy, his, uncle.	tib-u = tib-wa tib-i tib-a	I, thou, he, strikes.

The change of áinto ó (a-pa, i-po) is confined to the words father and mother ; the words for uncle and aunt, which are mere iteratives (po-po, mo-mo), adhere to the latter form, which is very interesting as a sample of suffix-pronouns coinciding with the verb form tib-u, pa-u-po ; vapulo, ego pater ejus, a crude pronoun (or noun), is substantival or adjectival according to its use ; thus, in Newári, ji is I or my, ji kai = my hand.

words, meaning two and all, can be added to pronouns and to nouns, to form duals and plurals, and are often added to a true inflective plural pronoun to mark that distinction; thus, nam = *we;* namella = *we all,* plural; nam rendálu = *we two,* dual. Sometimes the pronominal inflexion is repeated, as in emellam, *we* (or *we all*); niv ellam, *ye;* avar ellam, *they,* of Toda.

VERB.

The verbal forms of the Nilgiri tongues clearly place them in the same category with the cultivated Dravidian; that is, the pronomenalised class. But, whether from non-development or from decomposition, the pronomenalisation is very imperfect on the whole. Nor is it easy to discern in the one or other group of these southern tongues those generic and temporal signs which are still so palpably traceable as a distinct element of the northern tongue verbs. All of the pronomenalised class, and some that can hardly be ranged in that class, in the Himálaya, as in Altaic and Ugrofinnic, have the verbal root or imperative followed by the transitive or intransitive (often with many subdivisions) sign, and that, again, in the pronomenalised class, by the personal ending, which, too, is sometimes agentive, sometimes objective (equivalent to active and passive voice respectively), and sometimes both, in which case the agentive form always follows the other and makes the ending. But, even in the northern tongues, the transitive or intransitive

latter in the contracted, as in the Altaic tongues, and not less in Sontál and Hó, and indeed in all. Thus, in Kuswar, my father is baba-im, or mahana baba-im (maha, *ego,* ma-ha-na, the genitive). Kuswar beautifully demonstrates the character of the infixed pronoun as a mark of the transitive verb, and it will be seen that this language inverts the order of the agentive and objective, and adds a common termination or an. The neuter verb, of course, omits the transitive sign, and runs thus: walg-en-im, walg-en-ir, walg-en, I, thou, he, fell. En is possibly the participial particle. But it is more probably the neuter sign for the causal = transitive, whilst it resumes the transitive sign "ik," drops the neuter sign "en," thus, walg-im-ik-an, I cause to fall. In topmun, tiptong, and thathaimi kap, the tá vel dá root of Chinese, Newári, Sontál, &c., is palpably traceable, despite its own modifications (to, ti, tha) and its numerous accessories, all, as usual, suffixed with the single and most interesting exception of the second person in Bontáwa, where ta-mo-vu shows ta prefixed, mo-v-ung, ta-mo-vu, mo-v-en, mo being the root.

sign is constantly confounded with the temporal sign, whilst the personal endings likewise sometimes exhibit as much irregularity and defectiveness as they do in the Nilgirian verbs. Nevertheless, judging by analogy, and resting on the wonderful similarity of genius and character pervading all the languages of the sons of Túr, I should not hesitate to say that the cultivated Dravidian and the Nilgirian tongues are framed on the same model as that above described as belonging to the northern, and that the samples above cited from Badaga and Kurumba are palpable proofs of it, notwithstanding the silence of all Dravidian grammarians touching the generic or class sign (transitive, intransitive, &c.) of their verbs. For example:—

I have no doubt whatever about

Badaga	hui-d-an	I struck (him)	Active voice.
Kurumba	huiyu-t-an		
Kurumba	mad-id-en	I made (it)	
May be analysed precisely as are—		...	
Turkic	sever-d-im	I loved (him)	
Hungarian	var-t-am	I waited for (him)	
Kiránti (Báhing)	tip-t-ong	I struck (him)	
Háyu	top-t-um	struck him	Active and Passive voice.
Háyu	*há-t-um	gave him	
Kuswar	tha-tha-im-ik-an	I struck (him)	Active.

and numberless others of which I shall have, ere long, to speak in full. That is to say, I hold it for certain that all these verbal forms consist of, 1st, the root or crude; 2d, the transitive and preterite sign; 3d, the personal ending; and that, moreover, the second of these elements may, in every case, be

* Hátum is active and passive in Háyu, and is regularly derived from the imperative transitive ha-t-o, give to him or give it, which is *common* to Khámti and Háyu; and this leads me to add that the so-called monosyllabic tongues, like the simplest Himálayan ones, and the Tibetan and Burmese, exhibit in their imperatives the compound structure instanced in háto, *e.g.*, shat shod = kill, *i.e.*, kill him or it, in Lepcha and Burmese, where final t vel d is the well-known objective pronoun seen in all the above samples taken from the highest-structured class. Newári has sháta for the preterite second and third persons active and for all persons passive; expressly because the "t" denotes the object or transitiveness of the action. So also Háyu has si-t- in the same sense, and si (sh) to in its imperative, which is modified by an enunciative sibilant, but shows the transitive "t" as before.

resolved into the third pronoun, current or obsolete, and used objectively. Kuswar baba-ik = *his father*, compared with tha-tha-ik = *strike* (*i.e.*, him, the object), settles the last point even more clearly than Samoiede lata-da = *his stick*, and Magyar Cicero-t = *Ciceronem*.*

Having mentioned the wonderful analogy of these tongues, I will give a telling instance. In the Háyu language of the Central Himálaya and in the Mantchú we have khwachambi or khwachammi = *I feed*, that is to say, *feed myself*; for khwá, vel khóa is the root, chá the reflex sign, and mbi vel mmi the personal ending, and one, too, that in both tongues is invariable, though Háyu appears sometimes to drop the iteration in the second and third persons, khwachammi, khwá-chá-m, khwá-chá-m, *I, thou, he, feed* (self). Now, that root, reflex sign, and personal ending should thus concur to absolute identity, and that sense also should be as identical as form in two unconnected languages, is simply impossible. It follows, therefore, that we have people of the Mantchu race forthcoming now in the Central Himálaya close on the verge of the plains! And, again, what shall we say to such grammatical coincidences as—

Túrki	baba-im = my father,	sever-im = I love.
Kuswar	baba-im = my father,	saken-im = I can.

The answer is clear, that we have people of the Turkic stem also in the Central Himálaya, close to the verge of the plains of India. Nor need we doubt that such is the case in regard both to the Mantchúric and Turkic relations of the Himálayans, though the precise degree of such family connections can hardly become demonstrable until we have (what is now, alas! wholly wanting) a just definition of the Turánian family, and of its several sub-families, to test our Himálayan analogies by. The Mantchuric and Mongolic groups of tongues were long alleged to show no sign of pronomenalisation. It is now known that that was a mistake.

Other still maintained distinctions will, I anticipate, disappear before the light of fuller knowledge, when it will plainly appear that not mere and recent neighbours, such as

* Müller apud Bunsen, I. 319.

are alleged to be the Tibetans proper of our day (Bodpas), or they and the Ugrians, formed the Turánian element of Indian population, from the Himálaya to the Carnatic, but successive swarms from the one and same great northern hive—whether Turkic, Mongolic, Mantchuric, Ugric,* or these and others—who passed into Indo-China as well as India, and directly into the latter, as well as through the former into the latter, by all the hundred gates of the Himálaya and its southern offshoots. Simple as the Mongolic and Mantchuric languages are wont to be called, they seem to me to possess entirely the essential Turánian characteristics; that is, in like manner as they have endless noun-relational marks without any distinct declension, so they have a rich variety of sorts of verb (but all reduceable into the two great classes of action, or that of things and that of beings, equal neuter and transitive), and this peculiar richness united with great poverty of voice, mood, and tense, whilst the participles partake fully of this character of the noun and of the verb; that is, they are poor on one side but luxuriant on the other, and throughout the whole Turánian area perform the very same function of that of continuatives, being employed to supply the place of conjunctions and conjunctive (relative) pronouns.

The Central Himálayan languages, but perhaps more especially those of the pronomenalised type, all present these characteristics with perfect general fidelity and with some instances of minute accord, besides those cited above, among which may be mentioned the hyper-luxuriant participial growth of Kiránti and of Mantchu, both of which have ten or rather eleven forms of the gerund, and these obtained by the very same grammatical expedient!

There is another very noticeable peculiarity common to the Himálayan and Nilgirian tongues, which is the emphatic distinction of the first person in conjugation, thus, piuthtstini, Toda, *I strike*, stands apart from puithtsti, *thou, he, she,* or *it strikes*, which are all the same. So Newári has daya in the present and dayu in the past for *I strike, I struck*, as opposed

* Are not Ugric, Uighur, or Igur, the same? and would not the identical name with the common characteristics (pronomenalised) of the tongues go far to identify the Ugrians with the E. Turks?

to the common terminations yu and la respectively for all striking present and past of every other kind save by the first person, da-yu, da-la, *any body or thing save me strikes or struck.* Hence these forms are used to constitute the passive, as in jita dála, of the sequel. Again, the hardening or doubling of the sign consonant of the intransitive verb in order to make it transitive, a principle supposed to be so peculiarly Dravidian, is quite familiar to the Háyu and Kiránti tongues. And again, the Báhing dialect of Kiránti is fully characterised by that indiscriminate use of the transitive and neuter signs for which the Tamil language is so remarkable. Another common characteristic of the Dravidian and Himálayan tongues is the double causal, *e.g.*, bokko = *get up;* pokko = *cause to get up;* pongpato = *cause to cause to get up*—in Báhing. Dun = *become;* thun = *to cause to become;* thumpingko = *cause to cause to become* —in Váyu.

Another common and radical feature of the Dravidian and Himálayan tongues is the amorphous character of their vocables, which become distinct parts of speech, as noun or verb, by the suffixing of appropriate particles. Thus kan, *the eye,* and *to see;* so neu, *goodness, to be good, good,* whence neu-gna, *I am good;* neu-ba, *the good one,* &c.—of Báhing. I, however, at present forbear to touch on more of these common characteristics of the Dravidian and Himálayan tongues, because they are so apt to run into the common property of all the Turánian tongues. But I may just add that Hoisington's Tamulian traits (in the "American Or. Journal") are nearly all found characterizing the northern languages.

The general absence of a passive, the partial or total absence of tense distinctions, and the combination of the present and future when there *is* such partial distinction, as well as the denoting of tense by annexed adverbs (to-day, yesterday, and to-morrow) when there is *none,* are Turánian traits common to the (not to go further) Altaic, Himálayan, Indo-Chinese, and Tamulian tongues. Thus the Toda and Kota verbs are always or generally aoristic, and the three tenses are expressed by the above adverbs of time, used prefixually. Precisely such is the case with the Bontáwa dialect of Kiránti and with the Háyu,

whilst the Báhing dialect of Kiránti discriminates the past tense from the other two by the use of an appropriate infix, which is at once the transitive and temporal sign. If such be not visibly the case with the Badaga, Kurumba, and Irula dialects, we may yet discern the cause, partly in the carelessness of barbarians, partly in that fusion of transitive and preterite signs which cultivated Dravidian also exhibits, and not less Ugrofinnic and Turkic. But in the tin-d-é of Badaga and Kurumba, and tid-d-é of Kota = *I ate*, as in the mad-id-é of Kurumba = *I made*, not to cite more instances, I perceive that identical preterite sign (t, vel, d) which marks it in Báhing (tib-á, *he strikes;* tib-*d*-á, or tip-*t*-á, *he struck*), as in endless other northern and north-western tongues.

I will add a few more words on these important points, for I conceive that the passive of the cultivated Dravidian tongues is clearly factitious, and suggested by contact with Arianism. There are still extant long works in Canarese, says Mr. Metz, in which hardly one instance of the use of the passive voice occurs, and the fact that the *un*cultivated Dravidian tongues have it not, is, I think, decisive as to its adopted character in the cultivated. Again, there can be no doubt that the negative conjugation of the cultivated Dravidian tongues presents the primitive form, and that form is aoristic; *e.g.*, mad-en, *I do, did,* or *will, not make.* In Himálaya and Tibet and Sifán the passive is wanting. Its absence is wholly or partially supplied by the use of the instrumentive and objective cases of the pronouns for the active and passive forms respectively. Even Khas still adheres to this primitive and indigenous form, overlaid as that tongue is by Arian forms and vocables; and I have myself not the least doubt that the anomalous né of the preterite of Hindi and Urdu is nothing but the commutative equivalent of the Khas instrumental sign lé. A Khas of Népál invariably says, *by me struck* for *I struck*, and *me struck* for *I was struck;* and, moreover, there is still the strongest presumptive proof, internal and external, that this, the present preterite, was a primitive aorist, and the only tense in Khas. Those who are fully conversant with the spoken Prákrits of the plains can testify that the same traits still cleave to the

vernaculars of the so-called Arian class of tongues in the plains—traces, I conceive, of primitive Turánianism as palpable as are to be found in the secondary terms (bhat-*wat*, mar-*dal* (*vide* infra), kapra-*latta*, &c.) of the Prákrits, and which their grammarians can only explain by calling them tautological sing-song. That all such terms are really genuine samples of the double words so common throughout the Turánian area, and that the latter member of each term is Turánian, I trust by and by to have time to show. Meanwhile, and with reference to the Tartar substitute for the voices, here are a few examples:—

By me struck = *I struck*, active voice.

Tibetan, ngági dúng; Newári, jing dáye; Háyu, g'ha toh'mi; Khas, mailè kútyo; Urdu, mai*n* nè kúṭa.

Me struck = *I was struck*, passive voice.

Tibetan, ngála dúng; Newári, jita dála; Háyu, go toh'mi; Khas, ma*n*lai kútyo; Urdu, mujh ko kúṭa (subaudi, usnè).

The languages which employ conjunct suffix pronouns have a form precisely equivalent to the latter, *e.g.*, Sontál dál-éng, and Háyu toh'-múm = *struck me*. And observe that Sontál dál, *to strike*, reproduces not only the widespread dá vel tá root of the north, but also the l of Newári dála,* as to which see remarks on the transitive and preterite sign aforegone, and Urdu már-*dál*, with its comment.

With regard to the personal endings or pronominal suffixes of the Nilgirian verbs, their obscurity is sufficiently conformable to the cultivated Dravirian models, with due allowance for mistakes on the part of the rude speakers of the former tongues. Something may also be ascribed with probability to decomposition and disuetude. But upon the whole we cannot doubt that these tongues belong to the pronomenalised class, and that, for example, the ni and mi of Toda tinsbi-ni, *I eat;*

* Observe also that Jita dála reproduces the objective sign, ta vel da, above spoken of. Compare lata*da* and Cicero *t*. As a transitive sign of verbs it is most widely diffused, and nearly as widely are ka vel ga, and pa, vel ba, vel va. Sa vel cha is a very widely diffused neuter sign which also can be traced indubitably to the third pronoun used to denote the object—in this case, the agent himself or itself. The French forms, Je lève and Je me lève, &c., very well serve to indicate the latter form, though not the former of Turánian verbs.

tinsbi-mi, *we eat;* with the an, al, ad of nidre-madut-an, maḍut-al, maḍut-ad, *he, she, it sleeps,* of Kurumba, are instances of suffixed pronouns. And now, having already remarked sufficiently upon the other peculiarities of the Nilgiri pronouns under the head of "pronoun," I shall here bring these remarks, suggested by the Nilgirian vocabularies, to a close.

P.S.—Of the many resembling or identical words in the Himálayan and Dravidian tongues I say nothing at present. Those who meanwhile wish to see them, have only to consult the several vocabularies printed in the Journal.

But with reference to what I have stated above, that there exists an authentic tradition (reduced to writing some five hundred years back) identifying the people of the Malabar coast with those of Népál proper (or the Newár tribe), I may just point to such words as wá vel vá = *come,* and sumaka = *silent,* as perfectly the same in form and meaning both in the Newár language and in that of the Nilgirians.

SUPPLEMENT TO THE NILGIRIAN VOCABULARIES.

English.	*Toda.*	*Badaga.*	*Kota.*	*Kurumba.*	*Irula.*
Eat	tennu	tinnu	tinnu	tinnu	tinnave, tinduko (the latter to a superior)
Drink	únú	kudi	úne	kudi	kudidukove, kudidukoveko
Sleep	vorg	voragu	vorage (g = German g)	nidre madu (*sleep make*)*	kadandukove, kadanduko
Wake	vorigadi, yecharichagir†	yecharagiru (*awake be*)	yecharike iru (*awake be*)	yecharikeagiru (*awake be*)	nénevá girave
Laugh	kari	négé	kárje	nage	girkádu
Weep	atthti	lau (au = ou)	áge (g = German g)	alu	aluve
Speak	arvor	nudi (u = oo)	mánivo	matádu, nudi	pésu
Be silent	bokir	sumagiru, japaniru	pakiru	symaniru (*silent be*)	maniade iru (*speechless be*)
Come	itva? vá (it-va = *come here*)	ba, iti ba? (iti-ba = *come here*)	váge	ba	barave
Go	atfo? fo (at-fo = *go there*)	hógu, ate hógu? (ate hogu = *go there*)	athóge? hóge (at hóge = *go there*)	hógu	bhó
Stand up	mklo	lyettu	méke	yeddu	yéndu kove
Sit down	neshkir (*be down*)	kuli	kúkiru (*be down*)	kutukó	ukandu kove
Move, walk	at nar? nar (at nar = *walk there*)	nade, ate nade? (ate nade = *walk there*)	nade	nade	nadandu kove
Run	vór	vódu	ate vódu	vódu	vódu
Give	ta, kor	ta, kodu	ta	kodu	tárave
Take	tegi, yettfo (*having taken go*)	tegi	véde	tegi	bóngu
Strike	burv	hui	puiye	hui	adi

* The brackets denote suggestions of my own.
† Ch = kh. English ch represented by tsh. Former = guttural Scotch ch in loch, &c.

English.	*Toda.*	*Badaga.*	*Kota.*	*Kurumba.*	*Irula.*
Kill	birshkir, koddu	kodd hóku	tavarsidade	kondu hóku	adidukove, kondukove
Raise, lift up	túch *	túku	mékarse	túku	túkove
Put down	atvei (vei: at-vei = *put there*)	háku, idu, atebi (ate bi = *put there*)	vei	ate idu	bhodu
Hear	voratir	kte, voratiru (*hearing be*)	vóruttulle	kelu	kétukove
Understand	aridir	aridiru, aridutto	arsulle	ariduko	arindiru
Tell	esht †	hlegu	parrde	helu	sollu
Strike	burv	hui	puiye	hui	adi
Strike not	burthtati	huiya béda	puiyade	huiya béda	adio-venda
To strike	burken	huiya	puikede	huiya	adia
Striking	burthtp	huiyuva	puika	huiyuva	adika
Stricken	burtht (used actively as well as passively, see remarks)	huida	possa	huida	adida
The striker, or He who strikes	Burthtpavan, or burthtpál (= *striking man*)	huiyuvavanu (van or vanu is masculine suffix, and ál or álu = *man* is equivalent. The two forms, therefore, are but one) huiyuva álu	puikálu puikálu	huiyuvava huiyuva álu	adikálu adika
Having stricken	burthtudd	huidu, huidundu	possutte	hui du gondu	adidu
I strike	burthtsbini, or burthversbini	huidane	áne puikape	5) huiyutine	ná adi kallave
I struck	2) No preterite	huide	áne possupe	huide	ná adide
I will strike	No future	Present tense is used	Present tense is used	Present tense is used	ná adike

* Ch = kh. English ch represented by tsh. Former = guttural Scotch ch in loch, &c.

† Esh-t is absolutely the same with Háyu ish-to, the t being the transitive sign! And moreover in Toda, as in Háyu, this is active and passive! See burth-t = *stricken*.

I sleep	an vorchsbini	ná voragine, voragiunnane	*voragape, or inde voragape	5) nidre madutine	ná kadandu kóge
I slept	No preterite	ná voragidde	3) voragape, or nér voragape	nidre madide (*sleep made I*)	ná kadandu kónde
I will sleep	No future †	ná voragine	voragape, or nalke voragape †	Present tense.	ná kadandu kóge
I eat	tetthbini, tinsbini	tinnane	tingape	tinnutine	ná tindu kóge
I ate	No preterite	tinde	tidde	tinde	ná tinde
I will eat	No future †	4) tinnane	tingape	Present tense.	ná tinge
I see	notthbini, kaddersbini	nódine	nósigape	kandane, kanutine	ná pátu kóge
I saw	No preterite †	nodide	nósipe	kande	ná pátu kónde
I will see	The future is the same as the present tense in all these tongues				
I sleep	vorchsbini	voragine	voragape	nidre madutine (*sleep made I*)	ná kada ke, na kadandu kóge
Thou sleepest	*vorchsti	*voragire	voragape	nidre maduti	ní kadandu kónde
He sleeps	vorchsti	voragina	voragapo	nidre madutane	avanu kadandu kónda
She sleeps	vorchsti	voragla	voriglo	nidre madutale	avla } kadandu avala } kondala
It sleeps	vorchsti	voragida	vorigo	nidre madutade	adu kadandu kónda
We two sleep	No dual in any of these languages				
We all sleep. Inclusive	amellam vorchsbini	angella voragineo	amella vorigame	navella nidre maduteve	These have been casually omitted by Mr. Metz.
We all sleep. Exclusive	emellam vorchsbini	yengella voragineo	emella vorigame	yengella nidre maduteve	
Ye all sleep	nivellam vorchsbini	ningella voragiari	*vorigire	nivella nidre madutiri	
They all sleep	avarellam vorchsbini	avakaella voragiari	vorigoro	avarella nidre madutare	
I cause to kill	I have found no form for this	koddhákisine	tavarsiken	kondhakisutine	ná kollisó vittige
I cause to make	„	madisine	kesiken	madisutine	„

(About the Passive, see Remarks.)

* For omitted Pronouns, see elsewhere.

† Adverbs of time used to mark tense. *I sleep yesterday = I slept. I sleep to-morrow = I will sleep.*

English.	*Toda.*	*Badaga.*	*Kota.*	*Kurumba.*	*Irula.*
I cause to love	I have found no, &c.	madisine	kesiken	madisutine	ná pria panuisige
I love	,,	,,	,,	,,	ná pria panni kandirige
I strike	*burthtsbini	huidane	*puikape	huiyutine	ná adikallave, ná adida vittige
Thou strikest	burthtsti	huidere	ni puikape	*huiyati	ni adika
He strikes	burthtsti	huidana	avane puikapo	huiyutane	ava adika
She strikes	burthtsti	huidla	avale posso	huiyutale	avla adika
It strikes	burthtsti	huidada	adu posso	huiyutade	adu adika
We two strike. Dual	Dual is the same as plural; adding only the numeral *two* after the pronoun instead of ella = *all*				
We all strike. Inclusive	am ellam burthtsbimi	angella huidaneo	ámella puiyame	angella huiyuteve	namella adikeme †
We all strike. Exclusive	em ellam burthtsbimi	yengella huidaneo	emella puiyame	yengella huiyuteve	The same
Ye all strike	nivellam burthtsti	ningella huidari	nímella pórasire	nivella huiyutiri	nimella adikiri
They all strike	avarellam burthtsti	avarella huidara	avarella posso	avarella huiyutare	avarella adikaru
A dog	noi	nai	nai	nai	nai
Two dogs. Dual	áed noi	yeradu nai	áed / yede } nai	yeradu nai	reṇdu nai
Dogs. Plural	(1) No plural	naigla	(1) No plural. (See remarks.)	naigalu	No plural for neuters
A father	eiyan	appa, tande	eiyane	tande	amma, am-ma caused by euphony from ang-pa, my father
Two fathers. Dual	It is wanting	It is wanting	It is wanting;	It is wanting	It is wanting
Fathers. Plural	It is wanting	It is wanting	It is wanting	It is wanting	It is wanting
A father. Indef. / The father. Def.	No such distinction exists in any of these languages				

* For omitted Pronouns, see elsewhere. † Dual is not a separate form, but rendu = 2, is added after pronoun instead of ella, as Nam rendál adikeme, &c.

My father	yen eiyan	yenna appa	yen eiyane	nana tande	yenud amma
Thy father	nin eiyan	ninna appa	nin eiyane	nina tande	ninud / ninod } amma
His father	tan eiyan	avana / ava } appa	avan eiyane	avana tande	avanud amma
Her father	tan eiyan	avla appa	aval eiyane	avala tande	avalud amma
Its father	tan eiyan	aduna appa	adun eiyane	adara tande	aduna amma
Our father (Excl.)	em eiyan	yenga appa	ema eiyane	yenga tande	yemmud amma, for both
Our father (Incl.)	am eiyan	anga appa	ama eiyane	nama tande	nimmud amma
Your father	nim eiyan	ninga appa	nimud eiyane	nima tande	avarud amma
Their father	avar eiyan	avara appa	avara eiyane	avara tande	ná, náu
I Ego	an, anu	nánu, na	ane	nanu, ná	yennudu, yennud
My	yen, yendu	yenna	yen	nana	yennádu
Mine	yendu, yennadu	yennadu	yennade	nanadu	ṇavu
We	em, am	yengla	yenge	yenga	yemmudu, or yemmud, for both
Our (Exclu.)	yem, yemdu	yenga	emu	yenda	
Our (Inclu.)	am, amdu	anga	amu	nama	
Ours (Exclu.)	yemdu, yemmadu	yengadu	emadu } nangude	yengadu	yemmadu, for both
Ours (Inclu.)	amdu, ammadu	angadu, nammadu	amadu } nangude	namadu	
Thou	ni	ni	ni, niye	ni	ni
Thy	nin, nindu	ninna	nin	nina	ninud, nina
Thine	nindu, ninnadu	ninnadu	ninnade	ninadu	ninnádu
Ye	nív	ningla	ninge	ninga	nív
Your	nim, nimdu	ninga	nimudu	nima	nimmud
Yours	nimdu, nimmadu ningadu	ningadu	nimadu, ningude	nimadu, ningadu	nimmádu, ningadu
He, she, it	avan, aval, adu	ava, avla, adu	avane, avale, ade	avanu, avalu, adu	ava, avla, adu
His (Con-junc.)	avan (Common gender)	avana	avana	avana	avanud
Her (Con-junc.)	aval (Common gender)	avala, avla	avale	avala	avalud
Its (Con-junc.)	adun (tan)	aduna	aduna	adara	aduna
His (Dis-junc.)	avandu (Common gender)	avanadu	avanade	avanadu	avanadu
Hers (Dis-junc.)	avaldu (Common gender)	avladu	avalade	avaladu	avaladu
Its (Dis-junc.)	adundu (adundu)	adunada	adunade	adaradu	adunadu
They	avar	avaka	avare	avaru	aduru
Their	avar, avardu	avara, avakara	avare	avara	avarud
Theirs	avardu, avaradu	avaradu, avakaradu	avarade	avaradu	avaradu

Corrections by the Rev. B. SCHMID, *in the "Malabar" words of the Ceylonese Vocabularies.*

ORIGINAL.	CORRECTION.
Akayam	Ágáyam. Ágáam : the y merely intercalary.
Irat-tham	Irattam. Rattam : the i servile = Sanscrit rak tam.
Pasú	Pású. Both syllables short : accent not = long vowel or syllable. It often falls on a short syllable.
Kúkam. Kakkei	Kágam. Kákei. Kakkei, which is the English mode of lengthening the a by making the accent coincide with it, could not be understood.
Naul	Nál. Naul would be pronounced Nowl on the continent of Europe, and would mislead.
Thenam, Malabar Dina, Singalese	These words, seemingly so different, are identical, the difference resulting merely from bad pronunciation and a bad spelling. Singalese (and Sanscrit) d is expressed in the Madras Presidency generally by th, but quite erroneously, and European foreigners might suppose this th = the English th, whereas in all the world only Todas and Danes have the English th. Even the Greek theta Θ is not quite the same. [I doubt the implied Arian etymology. Dina vel thina = *day* and *to-day*, is thoroughly Turánian.—B. H. H.]
Tahappen	Tagappen. [Hard h = k vel g, throughout the Turánian area.—B. H. H.]
Thanthei. Thathei	Tandei. Tatei. T = d, and aspiration neutral, are characteristically Turánian, and so also a hard nasal sound followed by t rather than by d.]
Poo	Pú.
Meen	Mín. [These are merely the Gilchristian and Jonesian representations of vowels.—B. H. H.]
Dawasa Singalese	Dáása = Canarese Diasa and Latin Dies. [Query. W, like y, is an intercalary consonant, used normally to separate vowels.—B. H. H.]
Irattiri	Irátir.
Natchetheram	Natchétiram = Sanscrit Nakshatra. The native word is ván mín = *fishes of the sky*, for stars. [In Newári the stars are called forest or jungle of the sky.—B. H. H.]
Keramam	Kerámam Better Krámam. The separation of the coalescing consonants being a mere trick of Támil. [Such separation is nevertheless normally Dravidian.—B. H. H.]
Ah'-thu	*Adu.* [Ah' is merely the abrupt accent separating the root a and the servile du ve thu.—B. H. H.]
Nïugal	Nïngal. [U for n is a misprint merely.—B. H. H.]
Averkal	Avargal. [Gal = kal, plural sign. But gal is better after a liquid.—B. H. H.]
Avei :	Avar. [Misprint merely.—B. H. H.]
Ennudeyathu. Enathu	Ennudéyadu. Enadu. And so also read Avanudéyadu and erase Avarudeyadu, which is the
Ummadïathu. Umathu	Ummudéyadu. Umadu. plural.
Oné	Avarudéyadu, just cited. In the neuter, avattin.

Inthu	Indu.	[I never use the diphthong ei so common in European writing of Dravidian tongues. With me é makes ai, and á, au, and ó, ou. I never confound these two latter. The sliding French u I present in the form of eu, or in combination with a precedent consonant in the form of yú, thus English *puling* and *tune* I write pyúling and tyún. The French j and u as seen in *jeu* d'esprit are among the commonest and most characteristic of Turánian sounds. I write them separately, z and eu, united zyú.—B. H. H.]
Pat-thu	Pattu.	
Sympathu	Eimpattu.	
Idat-thu	Idattu.	
Nettu	Nétu.	
Inga. Angei	Ingé. Angé.	
Engei	Engé.	
Kéléi	Külé.	Long German dotted ü, or French ú.
Met-tha	Metta.	
Ethukkuka	Edukkágu.	
His. That	This. That.	These are slips of the pen in the English column. The latter is inferred from the Malabar terms.
Moschito	Moustachio.	
Which. Jón. H.	The Hindi and Urdu relative and correlative are wholly unknown in Támil. Whatever is put down, therefore, must be incorrect.	
Which. Tón. H.		
Net-thirei	Túngu.	Nittirei and Alukei (rather Alugei) are substantival forms = *the sleeping* and *the weeping*.
Alukei	Alu.	
Iru	Ulukkáru.	Iru means literally *be*, but is often used for *sit*. But ulukkáru is the proper word for *sit down*.
Konduvá	These are compounds from the verbs *come* and *go*, and mean *taking come* and *taking go*.	
Eduttupódu		
Nadamaduthal	Nada.	Thal suffix means *the doing;* maduthal in Canarese = *to do*. Nada and odu are quite enough for *walk* and *run*.
Oduthal	Odu.	

REMARKS.—I give the above as they reached me without entirely assenting to the value set on such precision by the venerable author of these corrections, or always even approving the corrections, for the more ample and careful becomes our survey of the Turánian tongues, the more deep is the conviction that the largest commutability of consonants and vowels is normal in this family of tongues, that local varieties of utterance are not to be reduced to a quasi-exotic standard, and that Akayam and Keramam, for instance, reflecting as they do the well-known preference of Támil for surds and its aversion to heaped consonants, may very reasonably be preferred to Agayam and Kramam. Mr. Schmid's conjecture that the English th is known only to the Tódas is incorrect, for the Burmese and Kúkis, as well as some Himálayan and Sifanese tongues, have the sound; and likewise the Todava proneness to blend the sounds of s, z, and the English th, and the latter also with d, like the Támulians of the Eastern Coast. My Ceylonese papers were prepared for me by a gentleman who used the ordinary English way of representing Oriental words. I myself always use the Continental, but the other does not mislead me. The Nilgirian vocabularies are framed on the latter model. The cerebral letters are indicated by an italic letter, thus, *t, d, l;* ch is to be pronounced as in English much; ch with the mark ⌣ above, as in Gaelic loch; and in Toda th is always to be sounded the English way.—B. H. H.

ON THE ABORIGINES OF SOUTHERN INDIA AND CEYLON.

To the Secretaries of the Asiatic Society.

GENTLEMEN,—In prosecution of the steps already taken by me, and recorded in our Journal, for obtaining ready and effective means of comparing the affinities of all the various aboriginal races tenanting the whole continent of India, I have now the honour to submit a comparative vocabulary of seven of the Southern tongues. Five of them belong to the cultivated class of these tongues, viz., Tamil, Malayalam, Telugu, Carnataka, Tulava; and two to the uncultivated class, viz., Curgi and Todava. The former are given both in the ancient and modern form, and care has been taken to procure the genuine vocables instead of those words of Sanscrit origin which are now so apt to be substituted for them, especially in intercourse with Europeans. I am indebted for these vocabularies to Mr. Walter Elliot of Madras, whose name is a sufficient warrant for their perfect accuracy.

In regard to these cultivated tongues of the south, Mr. Elliot observes that the aptitude of the people at present to substitute prákritic words for aboriginal ones is such a stumbling-block in the search for affinities as it requires pains and knowledge to avoid; and he instances (among others) the common use of the borrowed word rakta, for blood, in lieu of the native te rm néthar, by which latter alone we are enabled to trace the unquestionable ethnic relationship of the Gónds (even those north of the Vindhia) with the remote southerns speaking Telugu, Cannadi, and Tulava.

On the subject of the local limits and mutual influence at the present day of the cultivated languages of the south upon each other, Mr. Elliot has the following remarks:—"All the Southern dialects become considerably intermixed as they approach each other's limits. Thus the three words for egg used indifferently by the people speaking Canarese (matté, tetti, gadda), are evidently obtained, the first from the Tamulian,

matta; the last, from the Telugu, g*adda*. This intermixture, which is of ordinary occurrence in all cognate tongues, is here promoted specially by extensive colonisation of different races, as of the Telugus into Southern India under the Bijaynagar dynasty, where they still exist as distinct communities—and of the followers of Rámánuja A'chárj into Mysore, where they still are to be seen as a separate class speaking Tamil in their families, and Carnataka in public. The Reddies also, an enterprising race of agriculturists, have migrated from their original seats near Rajahmandry over the whole of Southern India, and even into the Mahárashtra country, where they are considered the most thriving ryots, and are met with as far north as Poona." *

Of the uncultivated tongues of Southern India, Mr. Elliot has been able to procure me on the present occasion only incomplete vocabularies of two, viz., the Curgi and Todava. But further assistance may be looked for from him in regard to this class of tongues, as to which he observes that "the dialects of the Kurumbers and Irulers and other mountain races of the south are well worth exploring." I have likewise myself made fresh application to Colonel Low, to our residents at Baroda and Sattara, and to other parties residing at Gúmsar, the Nilgiris, and Ceylon, with a view to completing the comparative vocabulary of all the Continental and Insular aboriginal languages; and to our authorities in Assam and in various parts of the chain of mountains dividing our provinces from those of Ava, in order to obtain the Indo-Chinese series of border languages—all upon one uniform plan.

These shall be hereafter forwarded as received, with such remarks as the study of the whole may suggest.

* For the ordinary and proper locale of the several cultivated tongues of Southern India, see Ellis' Dissertation and Wilson's Mackenzie Manuscripts. Mr. Elliot speaks in illustration of the general and well-known facts of the case.

English.	*Tamil.*		*Malayalam.*		*Telugu.*		*Carnataka.*		*Tuluva.*	*Curyi.*	*Todava.*
	Ancient.	Modern.	Ancient.	Modern.	Ancient.	Modern.	Ancient.	Modern.			
Air	kál	káttu	...	kátta	...	gáli	elaru	gháli	gháli	...	kott
Ant	uravi	erumbu	...	irumba	...	chíma	...	irivi	pijin	...	erbb
Arrow	kanei	ambu	...	amba	...	ammu	saralu	ambu	biru	...	...
Bird	pul	paravei	parva	pakki	...	pitta	...	hakki	pakki	pakki	pull
Blood	sennír	udiram	...	chora	...	netturu	kennír*u*	netturu	nettar	chore	...
Boat	pakada	o*d*am	...	vanji, or vallam	...	pa*d*ava	páru	doni	o*d*a	...	...
Bone	enpu	elumbu	...	ella	...	emika	elume	eluvu	elu	...	...
Buffalo	kárán	erumei	...	eruma	...	enumu	...	emme	erme	...	ir
Cat	púsei	púnei	...	púchcha	...	pilli	...	bekku	puchche	...	...
Cow	á, pettam	pasu	...	payya	...	ávu	ávu	hasuvu, ákalu	petta	payyu	tanma
Crow	karumpillei	kakká	...	kákka	...	káki	...	kági	kháke	...	kak
Day	el	pagal	...	pagal	...	pagalu	pagalu	hagalu	pagil	pogal	pokhal
Dog	...	náyi	...	náya	...	kukka	...	náyi	náyi	náyi	náyi
Ear	sevi	kádu	...	káda	...	chevi	...	kivi, kimi	kebi	kemi	kavi
Earth	...	nilam	...	nilam	...	pu*d*ami	...	po*d*avi	nela	...	nelan
Egg	sinei	mu*tt*ei	...	mútta	...	gu*dd*u	...	tatti, or motte, or gu*dd*u	mutte, or te*tt*i	...	mukshu
Elephant	kaliru	áne	...	ána	...	éniga	...	áne	áne	áne	án
Eye	ná*tt*am	kan	...	kanna	...	kannu	...	kannu	kann	kann	konn
Father	endei	tandei, tagappan, appan	...	achchan	...	tan*d*ri	...	appa, tande	amme	...	eyyan
Fire	azhal*	neruppu	...	tiyya	...	nippu	...	benki, kechchu	tu	...	...
Fish	puzhal	mín	...	mín	mínu	chépa†	...	mínu	mín	...	...

* Zh is employed, according to Mr. Ellis' plan, to represent the Támil ழ which has the sound of the French j in jamb, Jacques, &c., but is often pronounced like a hard l by Europeans, Mohammedans, and other foreigners, and also by the Parialis. Thus azhal would be alal.

† So written, but pronounced chápa.

Flower	alar	pú	...	puvva	...	puvvu	puvvu, or pú	huvvu	pu	...	puvvu
Foot	kazhal	adi	...	adi	...	adugu	adi	hejje	hajji	...	orri*
Goat	vellei	ádu	...	vallá*d*u	...	méka	...	kuri	édu	kuri	ádr
Hair	kuzhal	mayir	...	talamu*d*i	...	ventruka	...	kúdalu	kúdalu	orama	mir
Hand	tol	kai	...	kayya	...	cheyi	tol	kayi	kai	...	kayi
Head	senni	talei	...	tala	...	tala	...	tale	tare	mand*e*	mudd
Hog	kézhal	panri	...	panni	...	pandi	pan*d*i	handi	panji	pandi	...
Horn	kodu	kombu	...	komba	...	kommu	...	do*d*u, or kombu	kombu	...	kurr
Horse	páyimá	kudirei	...	kudira	...	gurramu	...	kudure	kudare	kudre	kadar
House	illam	manei,uídu	...	ví*d*a, illam	...	illu	...	mane	illa	...	arra
Iron	karumbon	irumbu	...	irumba	...	inumu	...	kabbina	ka*r*ba	...	...
Leaf	adei	elei	...	ela	...	áku	...	ele	ire	elaka*nd*	err
Light	oli	velichcham	...	velichcham	...	veluturu	...	belaku	bhoksha	...	pelch
Man	makana	ál,seenight	...	ál	...	...	...	álu	ál	mánus†	ál
Monkey	kaduvan	kurangu	...	koranga	...	koti	...	ko*d*aga, or manga	mange	...	kodan‡
Moon	pirei	tingal	tingal§	...	nela, or zábilli	...	...	ac tingalu	tingalu	...	...
Mother	ínrál	táyi or áyi	...	amma	...	talli	...	táyi, or avva	appe	avva	...
Mountain	varei	malei	...	mala	...	kon*d*a	male	gu*d*da	gudde	...	pann
Mouth	...	váyi	...	váya	...	noru	...	báyi	bayi	bayi	páyi
Mosquito	...	kosuvu	...	...	...	doma	...	solle	...	...	...
Name	...	pér	...	péra	...	péru	pesaru	hesaru	pudar	...	pér
Night	al	irá	...	rá*v*	...	réyi	...	iralu	iral	iral	...
Oil	néyam	ennei	...	enna	...	núne	...	enne	enne	...	enn
Plantain	...	vázhei	...	vázha	...	arati	...	bále	bále	...	...
River	varupunal	á*r*u	...	puzha	...	eru	pole	hole	tude	pole	pá
Road	neri	vazhi	...	vazhi	...	dári, dova	pá*d*e	hádi	sádi	batte	morg
Salt	...	uppu	...	uppa	...	uppu	...	uppu	uppu	...	upp
Skin	adal	tol	...	tola	...	tolu	...	tovalu	tolu	...	torra
Sky	vin	vánam	...	mánam	...	minnu	mugilu, bán, or bánu	...	...	...	pone

* These words signify footstep rather than foot. The common word for foot in *all* the S. dialects is kal.

† Sanse

‡ Macacus radiatus.

§ The common word is *chandra*, Sanse.

English.	*Tamil.*		*Malayalam.*		*Telugu.*		*Carnataka.*		*Tuluva.*	*Curgi.*	*Todava.*
	Ancient.	Modern.	Ancient.	Modern.	Ancient.	Modern.	Ancient.	Modern.			
Snake	kadsevi	pámbu	...	pamba	...	pámu	pávu	hávu	parapunu	pamb	pab
Star	vin-mín	vánmín	...	mínganna	...	chukka	mínu	chukki	dáráya	...	ponémín
Stone	kan	kal	...	kalla	...	ráyi	...	kallu	kalla	...	kall
Sun	...	pakalon	...	súrya (*common*)	...	poddu	pallili	hottu	polutu	...	...
Tiger	pul	puli	...	puli	...	puli	puli	huli	pili	nari	pirri
Tooth	eyiru	pal	...	palla	...	pallu	pallu	hallu	kúli	pall	...
Tree	...	sedi, maram	...	chedi, maram	...	chettu	...	gida, mara	mara	mara	mén
Village	pekkam	úr	...	tara, désam	...	úru	palli	halli, uru	úru	...	modd, or mort
Water	punal	tanni	...	vellam	...	níllu	...	níru	nír	nír	...
Yam	...	valli*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
I	yán	nán	...	gnán	...	nénu	án	nánu	én	nán	one
Thou	...	ní	...	ní	...	nívu	nin	nínu	i (pronounced as in it)	nin	ní
He	...	avan	...	avan	...	vádu	avam	avanu	áye	...	...
She	...	aval	...	aval	...	áme	aval	avalu	aval	...	...
It	akudu	adu	...	ada	...	adi	...	adu	av	...	...
We	yám	nám	...	gnángal, or nám	...	mému	ám	návu	enklu	eng	...
Ye	nívir	nír	...	ningal	...	míru	ním	nívu	inukulu	ning	namma
They	...	avar	...	avara	...	váru	avar	avaru	ákulu	avaru	ádám
Mine	...	enadu	...	enre	...	nádi	...	nannadu	ennow	...	...
Thine	ninadu	unadu	...	ninra	...	nídi	...	ninnadu	innow	...	...
His	...	avanadu	...	avanre	...	vádidi	...	avana	áyanow	...	...
Ours	emadu	namadu	...	nangade	...	mádi	...	nammadu	enkulanow	...	...
Yours	numadu	umadu	...	ningade	...	mídi	...	nimmadu	inkulanow	...	...
Theirs	...	ávarudu	...	avarude	...	váridi	...	avaradu	ákulunow	...	...

* Dioscorea alata, perin valli Malayálam ; D. oppositifolia, avating tíga, Telúgú ; D. aculeata, seru valli, Támil ; ganusu, Carnátaka ; D. pentaphylla, nuran kighang, Támil and Malayálam.

One	...	onru	...	onna	...	vokati	...	ondu	onji	...	...
Two	...	irandu	...	renda	...	rendu	...	eradu	erad	...	...
Three	...	múnru	...	múnnar	...	múdu	...	múru	müji	...	minn
Four	nángu	nálu	...	nála	...	nálugu	...	nálku	nalu	...	nonk
Five	aindu	anju	...	anja	...	áyidu	...	ayidu	ayinu	...	yajj
Six	...	áru	...	ára	...	áru	...	áru	aji	...	orr
Seven	ézh	ézhu	...	ézha	...	édu	...	élu	él	...	...
Eight	...	ettu	...	etta	...	enimidi	...	entu	ename	...	ett
Nine	onbakudu	onbadu	...	ombada	...	tommidi	...	ombhattu	orambo	...	onbod
Ten	orupakudu	patta	...	patta	...	padi	pattu	hattu	pattu	...	pott
Twenty	irupakudu	irupadu	...	iruvada	...	iruvai	...	ippattu	irvo	...	ivvod
Thirty	mupakudu	muppadu	...	muppada	...	muppai	...	muvvattu	muppo	...	muppéd
Forty	narpakudu	narpadu	...	nálpada	...	nalubai	...	nálvatta	nárpo	...	nalvod
Fifty	aimbakudu	aimbadu	...	ambada	...	yábai	...	ayivattu	ayiva	...	erbbod
A hundred	...	núru	...	núra	...	núru, or vanda	...	núru	núdu	...	onnúr
Of	...	udaiya	...	ude	...	yokka	...	na, or da	no, or du	...	...
To	...	kku	...	kk, nn	...	ku, ki	...	ge, or kke	ku, or ge	...	k
From	il	ninru	...	ninna	...	nunchi	...	inda, or desainda	...	...	n
By	án	ál	...	ál, ále, konda	...	valla	...	inda	ath	...	...
With	...	odu	...	ode, kúda	...	to	...	kúda, or sangada	ottugu	kude	...
Without	anri	allámal	...	illáda, kúdáda	...	tappa	...	hortu	horata	...	...
In	kan	il	...	il	...	lo	ol	olage	olai idu	...	ol
On	...	mél	...	mél, méle	...	payini	...	méle	mittu	...	...
Now	ippozhadu	ippodu	...	ippol	...	ippudu	...	íga	itten	ikkalu	itwan
Then	appozhadu	appodu	...	appol	...	appudu	...	ága	ápal	anda	atwan
When?	eppozhadu	eppodu	...	eppol	...	eppudu	...	yávága	épag	ekke	...
To-day	ittai	inru	...	inna	...	nédu	...	íhottu	ini	...	idd
To-morrow	pinrei	nálei	...	nále	elli	répu	...	nále	elli	nále	mockol
Yesterday	nerunal	néttu	...	innale	...	ninna	...	nenna	kode	nenne	ennér
Here	ivan	ingu	...	ivide	...	ikkada	...	illi	inchi	...	itt
There	avan	angu	...	avide	...	akkada	...	alli	anchi	...	...
Where?	evan	engu	...	evide	...	ekkada	...	elli	odeke	...	ett
Above	misei	mél	...	méle	...	payina	...	mélo	mett	...	...

English.	Tamil.		Malayalam.		Telugu.		Carnataka.		Tuluva.	Curgi.	Todava.
	Ancient.	Modern.	Ancient.	Modern.	Ancient.	Modern.	Ancient.	Modern.			
Below	kizhakku	kízh	...	tázhe	...	kinda	...	kelage	sett	...	...
Between	náppan	nadu	...	nadukke	...	nadama	..	maduve	nadu	...	...
Without, outside	...	veliyil	...	purame, or puratte	...	bayita	...	horage	pedi	...	parmutak
Within	...	ullil	...	agatta	...	lopala	...	olage	oli	...	ullu
Far	séimei	tulei	...	agale	...	davvu	...	...	...	...	...
Near	anmei	kitta	...	adukke	...	dápu	...	hattara, or sáre	khayi, or tol	...	kóguri
Little	...	siriya	...	kora	...	kásta	...	tusa, or thode	onda	chennang	...
Much	mikka	mikunda	...	valara, or éra	...	nindá, or mikkili	...	bahala	dinj-a	...	uppom
How much?	ettunei	evalavu	...	etra	...	enta	...	eshtu	ett	...	...
As	kaduppa	pol	...	pole	...	vale	pol	háge	anchane	...	...
So	...	appadi	...	angine	...	atla	...	háge	do	annane	...
Thus	...	ippadi	...	ingine	...	itlá	...	híge	inchene	innane	iggas
How?	...	eppadi	...	engine	...	etlá	...	hánge	...	...	...
Why?	ennei	én	...	endina	...	éla	...	yatakke, or yáke	jayekk	...	...
Yes	...	ám	...	ade, uvva	...	avunu	...	havudu	and	akku	...
No	...	illei	...	illa	...	lédu	...	illa	iddi	alla	...
(Do) not	...	vénda	...	vénda	...	vaddu	...	béda	botri	...	...
And, also	...	um	...	um, num	...	nni, nnu	...	ú (added to the end of the words coupled together)	no	...	...
Or	...	alladu	...	engil, adalla, allangal	...	léka	...	ádaru	andala	...	...
This	...	avanudaya	...	avande	...	váni	...	avana	áyino	...	...
That	...	adu	...	ada	...	adi	...	adu, á	avu	adu	ad

Which?	yádu	édu	...	eda	...	edi	...	yávadu	erno	...	...						
What?	...	enna	...	enda	...	émi	...	énu	jána	...	inn						
Who?	yár	ár	...	ára	...	evaru	...	yáru	uvanda	...	...						
Anything	yádákilum	édákilum	...	yádonnengil	...	edaiuá	...	yávadádaru	éránda	...	...						
Anybody	áráyinum	árákilum	...	yádaruttorum	...	evaraina	...	yárádaru	...	...	...						
Eat	...	tin	...	tinnuga, or unnuga	...	tinu	...	tinnu	tinupuna	unn	...						
Drink	...	kudi	...	kudikka	...	tágu	...	kudi	parapuna	...	...						
Sleep	...	túngu	...	orakkam	...	tongundu	...	nidde hogu	nidri-idupuna	...	...						
Wake	...	vizhittukkol	...	onartuga	...	mélukonu	...	echchattiru	echchirigidupuna	...	...						
Laugh	naku	nakai	...	chiri, or chirikkuka	...	navvu	...	nagu	telepuna	...	...						
Weep	...	azhu	...	karaga	...	édchu	...	alu	alupuna	...	...						
Be silent	...	summáviru	...	mindá thiru, or uriyádá thiru	...	urikéundu	...	summage iru	manipantippuna	...	...						
Speak	...	pésu	...	paraya, or samsárikka	...	mátládu	...	mátádu	pater puna	takpare	...						
Come	...	vá	...	varuga	...	vachchu	...	baru	barapuna	...	...						
Go	...	po	...	poga	...	povu	...	hogu	popuna	...	...						
Stand up	...	nil	...	nilka	...	niluchundu	...	nintu kollu	entuna	...	...						
Sit down	udká	udkáru	...	kuttuirika	...	kúrchundu	...	kútu kollu	kullona	...	...						
Move, walk	...	nada	...	nadakka, or elakka	...	naduchu	...	nadi	...	...	...						
Run	...	odu	...	oduga	...	parigettu	...	odu	páruna	...	...						
Give	...	kodu	...	kodukka, or taruga	...	ichchu	...	kodu	kodupuna	tá	...						
Take	ettukkol	eduttukkol	...	edukka	...	puchchukonu	...	tokkolu	...	...	...						
Strike	...	adi	...	adi, talla	...	kottu	...	hode	...	...	...						
Kill	...	kol	...	kolla	...	champu	...	kollu	...	kol	...						

English.	*Tamil.*		*Malayalam.*		*Telugu.*		*Carnataka.*		*Tuluva.*	*Curgi.*	*Todava.*
	Ancient.	Modern.	Ancient.	Modern.	Ancient.	Modern.	Ancient.	Modern.			
Bring	koná	kon*d*uvá	...	kon*d*uva	...	techchu	...	taru	...	...	...
Take away	ko*d*upo	kon*d*upo	...	kon*d*upo	...	tísukonipo	...	oyyu	kon*d*attu popuna	...	...
Lift up, raise	mérkol	e*d*u	...	pondikka	...	ettu	...	ettu	diripana	...	...
He ar	...	kél	...	kélkka	...	vinu	...	kélu	...	...	...
Under-stand	...	ari	...	tirichchiri-ka	...	teliyu	...	tili	teriyunnu-puna	...	...
Tell, relate	...	sol	...	para	...	cheppu	...	hélu	panuppuna	...	...
Good	...	nalla	...	nanna, or nallada	...	manchi	...	olle, or cheluva	eddattano	nallad	...
Bad	...	ke*tt*a	...	chitta	...	che*dd*a	...	ketta	pedikatta-no	kutta*d*	...
Cold	tanniya	kulirnda	...	tanutta	...	challoni	...	tampu	ch'hali	kultat	pillele
Hot	veyya	su*tt*a	...	chúda	...	vé*d*i	...	bisi	sekhe	bekkel	...
Raw	pozháda	pachchei	...	pachcha	...	pachchi	...	hasi	paje	pachche	...
Ripe	kaninda	pazhutta	...	pazhutta	...	mágina	...	mágida	paranda	...	...
Sweet	iniya	tittitta	...	...	...	tiyyani	...	sí	tipe	mantat	...
Sour	...	pulitta	...	puli	...	pullani	...	huli	puli	...	pilba
Bitter	...	kasanda	...	kayippa	...	chédu	...	khayyi	khayipe	kaipal	kachchatt
Handsome	azhakiya	azhakána	...	koutuka-máya	...	andamaina	...	cheluva	eddattano	...	narradodi
Ugly	payirpána	aruvarup-pána	...	vashala	...	...	...	andagé*d*i	padiketta-no	...	o*d*eda
Straight	ozhungána	nérána	...	nére, chov-ve	...	sarigga-un*d*e	...	sariyáda	sarta	nére	...
Crooked	ko*d*iya	koniya	...	valanga	...	vankara	...	so*tt*a	mont	...	...
Black	kariya	karutta	...	karutta	...	nalla	...	kari	khappa	kartad	kapp
White	velliya	velutta	...	velutta	...	tella	...	bile	bollane	baltad	pelpam
Red	seyya	sivanda	...	choganna	...	erra	...	kempu	kempu	chondad	...
Green	...	pachchei	...	pochcha	...	ákupach-cha	...	ele hasuru	pachche	...	...

Long		niliya	*nínda*	...	nínda	...	*nidupu*	...	udda	udda	...	...
Short		...	kuriya	...	kuranna	...	kuracha	...	*gidda*	*kuddya*	...	...
Tall	man	...	uyarnda	...	...	...	*podugu*	...	udda	...	...	niraka, neragatti
Short	man	...	kuriya	...	...	...	*patti*	...	*gidda*	...	...	kullol
Small		*varidána*	*siriya*	...	*chiriya*	...	chinna	...	sanna, chikka	kennu	...	...
Great		...	periya	...	valiya	...	pedda	...	*dodda*	mallow	...	...
Round		*sérvána*	*tiranda*	...	*urunda*	...	*gundu*	...	*gundu*	*uruttu*	...	...
Square		...	saduram	...	chadaram	...	chadaram	...	chouka	chouka	...	...
Flat		*adara*	*tattaiyána*	...	paranna	...	...	...	chappate	...	...	...
Fat		valatta	kozhuppána, or valappámána	...	kozhutta	...	kovvina	...	kabbida	thora	...	pekkam
Thin		melliya	melinda	...	melinna	...	palachani	...	tellaneya	sabara	...	...
Weariness		ayarppu	ileippu	...	valachal	...	alupu	...	danivu	...	...	...
Thirst		...	*nírvédkei*	...	tanni kerichal	...	dappi	...	*niradike*	bajil	...	nikhosti
Hunger		...	posi	...	visappa	...	ákali	...	hasivu	paduvu	...	...

P.S.—In representing the vernacular terms in Roman characters I have followed the received mode of spelling; d, t, in italics, represent the hard cerebral sounds of those letters which have only one representative with us, as opposed to their soft dental sounds; r among the Todas has a peculiarly harsh and prolonged sound which I have represented by reduplication. The correct sound of the Tamil zh is a deep cerebral enunciation of the French j, formed by touching the back of the palate with the tongue. Such a sound is very common in Tibetan and its derivatives, wherein nearly every d and g and ch becomes a harsh zh, as digarchi pronounced zhiggatzhi.

ABORIGINES OF CEYLON.

English.	*Malabar (of Ceylon).*	*Singalese.*
Air	Agāyam	Hulanga
Ant	Erumbu	Kúmbeyá
Arrow	Ambu, Kanri	Sare, or I'yá
Bird	Kuruvi, Pullu	Kurullá
Blood	Irattam, Rattam, Uthiram, Kuruthi	Lé
Boat	Thoni, Odam, Morak-kalam	Arua
Bone	Elumbu	A'tá
Buffalo	Erumei	Miharaká
Cat	Púnei	Balalá
Cow	Pāsŭ, Au	Eladena (gawa is the generic term)
Crow	Kágam, Kākei	Kaputá, Kakká
Day	Nál	D'wāsá, Dina
Dog	Nāy	Ballá
Ear	Kádu, Sevi	Kana
Earth	Púmi, Puvi, Prithivi, &c.	Polawa
Egg	Muttei, &c.	Bijja
Elephant	Yánei	Atá
Eye	Kan, Vilzi	Aha
Father	Jagappen, Thathei, Tandei	Piyá, Appá
Fire	Neruppu, Jí, Kanali, &c.	Gini
Fish	Mín	Matsia
Flower	Pú	Mal
Foot	Kál, Thál, Ade	Paya
Goat	A'du, Velládu, &c.	Eluá
Hair	Mayir	Kes
Hand	Kai	Ata
Head	Thalei	Olua
Hog	Pandi	U'rá
Horn	Kombu, Kódu	Anga
Horse	Kutherei, Pari, Asuvam	Aswaya
House	Vídu, Manei, Illam, Akam	Geya
Iron	Irumbu	Yakada
Leaf	Ilei	Kolé
Light	Velicham	Eliya
Man	Manushen, A'daven, &c.	Miniha
Monkey	Kurangku, Manthi	Wandara
Moon	Melavu	Sanda
Mother	Thai, Annei Annei	Amma
Mountain	Malei, Vetpu	Kanda
Mouth	Vái	Kata
Mosquito	Visei, Melvísei	Maduṟua
Name	Pér	Nama
Night	Iravu, Irātir	Rae
Oil	Ennei	Tel
Plantain	Válei	Kesel
River	Yáru, Kangei	Ganga
Road	Theru, Valzi	Pára
Salt	Uppu	Lunu
Skin	Thól, Tholi	Hama
Sky	Vánam	Ahasa
Snake	Pámbu	Sarpaya
Star	Natchetiram, Vanamín (fish of sky) / Natchetheram, Velli, &c.	Tarawa or Tárakáwa

English.	*Malabar (of Ceylon).*	*Singalese.*
Stone	Kallu	Gala
Sun	Veyil, Poluthu	Súrya
Tiger	Puli, Vengei	Wayággraya
Tooth	Pallu	Datha
Tree	Maram	Gaha
Village	Kurichi	Gama
Water	Thannír, Nír	Watura
Yam	Kilangu	Ala
I	Nán, Yán	Mama
Thou	Ní, Nír	Tó
He, She, It	Avan, Aval, Ah thu, or Adu	Ohu, aé, éka
We	Nám, Nángal	Api
Ye	Nīngel	Topi
They	Avergel	Owun
Mine	Ennudeyathu, Enathu, E'n-adu	Magé
Thine	Ummudeyathu, Umathu, U'n-adu	Togé
His	Avanudeyathu, { Avan-ádu / Avarudeyathu }	Ohugé
Ours	Engaludeyathu, Emathu, E'm-adu	Apé
Yours	Ungaludeyathu, Umathu, Um-adu	Topé
Theirs	Oné, Avergeludéyadu, Aver-adu	Owngé
One	Ondu, &c.	Ekay
Two	Iraudu	Dekay
Three	Múndu	Tunai
Four	Nálu	Hatarai
Five	Eintu	Pahai
Six	A'ru	Hayai
Seven	Elu	Hatai
Eight	Ettu	Stai
Nine	Onpathu	Nawayai
Ten	Pat-thu, Pattu	Dahayai
Twenty	Irupathu	Wissai
Thirty	Muppathu	Tihai or Tis
Forty	Nátpathu	Hatalehai
Fifty	Eympathu	Panahai
A hundred	Núru	Seya-yai
Of	In, Udeya, Thu	Caret
To	Ku	Ta
From	A'l, Irunthu	Gen
By, instr.	Kondu, A'l	Wisin
With, cum.	Udan, Odu, Idattu	Samaga
Without, sine.	Vittu, Allathu, Indi	Natua
In	Il, Ul	Atulé
On	Mél, Péril	Pita
Now	Ippothu	Dan
Then	Appothu	Ewita
When?	Eppothu	Kawadá
To-day	Indu, Indeikku	Ada
To-morrow	Nálei	Heta
Yesterday	Néttu	Eeyé
Here	Ingá, Ingé	Mehé
There	A'ngéi, Angé	Ehé
Where?	Engei, Engé	Kohéda
Above	Méléi, Uyara	Uhala
Below	Kéléi, Kü'le	Pahala
Between	U'dei, Idiyil	Atare or Mada
Without, outside	Veliyé, Purambér	Pita or Bahara
Within	Ullói	Atulé
Near	Kitte	Langa
Little	Siru, Konjam	Tika

English.	*Malabar (of Ceylon).*	*Singalese.*
Much	Metta	Bohoma
How much?	Evvalovu	Koccharada
As	Pól, Ena	Caret
So	Appadié, Avoannam	Mesé
Thus	Ippadi, Avoethamaka	Mesí
How?	Eppadi, Evoethamaka	Kohomada
Why?	En, Edukkāga	Ayi
Yes	A'm, Om	Ou
No	Alla, Illei	Nœ
Do not	Seyathéi	Apá
And also	Um, Thanum	Ta, da
Or	Allathu	Nohot
His	Avanudeya	Ohirgey
That	Ah thu, Athu	Eka
Which, jón Which, tón	Carent	Kókoda
Which? kón	Ethu	
What? kyá	Enna, Entha	Mokada
Who?	Yár, Ever	Kowda
Anything	Ethum	Monawá numut
Anybody	Everayenum, Yarainum	Kowru hari
Eat	Thin, Sappedu	Kanawá
Drink	Kudi	Bonawá
Sleep	Tungu	Nidá, gannawá
Wake	Villippu	Nagitenawá
Laugh	Sirippu	Hinahawenawá
Weep	Alugei = weeping	Andanawá
Be silent	Immayiru, Silent be Summayiru, Be still, Do nothing Pésúdiru, Do not speak	Katákaranda épá (*i.e.*, Do no speak)
Speak *	Pésu	Katákarapan
Come	Vá	Waren
Go	Pó	Palayan
Stand up	Nil	Hitapan
Sit down	Iru, Ulukkāru	Indagan
Move, walk	Nadamáduthal, Nadei	Awidapan
Run	Oduthal	Duapan
Give	Thá Kodu, Tá Kodu	Diyan
Take	Edu, Kai	Ganin
Strike	Adi, Thattu	Gahapan
Kill	Kollu	Marapan
Bring	Konduvá	Genen
Take away	Edúttupódu, Kondú-pó	Ganin
Lift up, raise	Uyarthu, Thúkku	Ussápan
Hear	Kél	Ahapan
Understand	Vilangu	Terunganin
Tell, relate	Sollu	Kiyápan
Good	Nalla	Honda
Bad	Agāda, Pulsada, Ketta	Naraka
Cold	Kulirmei	Sítala
Hot	Súdu	U'sna
Raw	Pachei	Amu
Ripe	Pazhutta	Iduná
Sweet	Inippu	Mihiri
Sour	Pulippu	Ambul
Bitter	Kasappu	Titta
Handsome	Alahána, Alagu	Laksana
Ugly	Avalatchana	Kata

* These Singalese verbs are here put in the imperative mood.

English.	*Malabar (of Ceylon).*	*Singalese.*
Straight	Néró, Nér	Kelin
Crooked	Kónal	Aeda
Black	Karpu	Kalu
White	Vennei	Sudu
Red	Sivantha	Ratu
Green	Pachei	Nil
Long	Nedia, Ninda	Diga
Short	Kattei, Kurukal	Kota
Tall } man	Uyarnta	Usa
Short } man	Kullan	Miti
Small	Siria, Sinna	Punchi
Great	Peria	Mahat
Round	Vattippu	Wata or Guli
Square	Sathuramana	Hataras
Flat	Shattei	Patali
Fat	Kolutta, Thúlitha	Tara
Thin	Melintha, Mellia	Tuni
Weariness	Ileita, Kalait-tha	Wéhésa
Thirst	Tāgam	Pipása
Hunger	Pasi	Badagini

SECTION X.

ROUTE OF NEPALESE MISSION TO PEKIN,

WITH

REMARKS ON THE WATER-SHED AND PLATEAU OF TIBET.

THE two following papers (it may be as well to state, in order to show their trustworthiness) were presented to me by the Maha Rajah of Népál in 1843, when I took my leave of him, after having resided at his Court for ten years in the capacity of British Minister. His Highness was pleased to say he desired to give me something which, not being of monied value, I should be permitted to retain, and which he knew I should set especial store by, and all the more because I was aware that the communicating of any such information to the "Feringé" (European) was contrary to the fixed policy of his Government. And therewith His Highness gave me these two documents, as well as several others of equal interest. The papers now in question comprise official summaries of the routes of two of those embassies of tribute and dependence, which, since the war of 1792 with Tibet (aided by China), Népál has been bound by treaty to send to Pekin once every five years. It is customary for these embassies always to keep nearly or quite to the same track, they being conducted through Tibet and China at the expense of the Celestial Empire and under the guidance of officers appointed by it.

The time of departure from Káthmándú is determined by the opening of the passes over the Himálaya, which takes place usually during the first half of June by the melting of the snows; and that accordingly is the regular period for the setting

out of the ambassador, who usually reaches Pekin about the middle of the following January. The ambassador's suite is rigidly fixed as to number, and as to every other detail; and, well or ill, tired or not, His Excellency is obliged by his pragmatical Chinese conductor (perhaps we should add in candour, by the character also of the country to be traversed) to push on towards his destination with only one halt of about a month and a half at Lhása, where, luckily for him, there is always some necessary business to transact, the Népálese having long had commercial establishments in that city. The ambassador, who is always a man of high rank (Hindú of course) and rather advanced in life, can take his own time, and cook and eat his own food, and use his own comfortable sedan chair or more comfortable litter (dándi, hammock) as far as Tingri. But there the inexorable Chinese Mehmandar (honorary conductor) meets him with the assigned set of ponies for himself and suite, and His Excellency must now mount, and unceasingly, as inflexibly, pursue his journey through a country lamentably deficient in food, fuel, and water, by pretty long stages and without a halt save that above named, on horseback, over a very rough country, for some one thousand seven hundred miles, and then only exchange his pony for the still worse conveyance of a Chinese carriage (more properly cart), which is to convey him with like persistency some seven hundred miles further, fatigue and bad weather notwithstanding, and the high-caste Hindú's cuisine (*horresco referens*) all the while entirely in the hands of filthy Bhótias and as filthy Chinese! Of course there is a grand lustration after each embassy's return home, which usually happens about two years from the time of its departure for Pekin; and many a sad and moving story (but all reserved for friends) the several members of these embassies then have to tell of poisonous compounds of so-called tea* and rancid lard or suet given them for drink in lieu of their accustomed pure lymph or milk; of heaps of sun-dried flesh incessantly substituted for the farinaceous and vegetable food of all decent Pagans; nay, of puppies served up to them for kids, and cats

* The so-called brick tea, which is composed of the sweepings of the tea manufactories, cemented by some coarse kind of gluten.

for hares, by stolid beastly cooks of Bhót (Tibet), under the orders of a seemingly *insouciant* and really pragmatical Chinaman, who answers all objections with "Orders of the emperor," "Food of the country," "You nicer than us, forsooth," "Fed or unfed, you start at such an hour." It is singular to observe the Celestial Empire treating Asiatics with like impertinence as Europeans, and it is satisfactory to think that the recent treaty of Népál with Tibet has put an end to these and other impertinences.

I proceed now to a few remarks on the form and substance of the papers. The form is such as might be expected from men, of a nation of soldiers and statesmen, scant of words and having an eye to business in the survey of a country. Blucher regarded London merely as a huge storehouse of valuables, fit, and haply destined, to make spoil for a conquering army. And a Népálese regards Tibet and China, not from a picturesque or scientific point of view, but with reference to the obstacles their natural features oppose to a daring invader having an eye to business in Blucher's line. The chief item, therefore, of both itineraries, and the only one of the shorter, is an enumeration of the mountain ridges or ranges intersecting the way (a most valuable piece of information, as we shall soon see); and to this the longer paper adds a similar enumeration of the intervening rivers, with the means of passing them, or the ferries and bridges; the forts occurring all along the route; and, lastly, the lakes and tanks where drinking-water can be had—a commodity most scarce in those regions, where half the lakes are brackish. The several items, together with the stages and the distances (computed by marching-time as well as by reference to the Népálese kós of $2\frac{1}{3}$ miles each), comprise the whole information conveyed. But it will nevertheless be allowed that so authentic an enumeration of so many important particulars, relating to so vast an extent of country so little known, is of no small value; and though here packed into the smallest compass, that information might, in the hands of a skilful bookmaker, suffice to furnish forth a goodly volume. But bookmaking is in no repute with the gentry of Népál. It belongs solely to pandits, whilst on the class of official scribes is devolved the task of

recording all useful information, which they are strictly required to embody in the fewest possible words and smallest space. I will only add on this head of the form of the papers—

1st. That the records of the two embassies having been made at the several times of those missions, and quite independently of each other, the statements of one may be used to correct and explain those of the other; and that, where discrepancies occur, the longer paper, which is complete in its details, is probably, on the whole, more correct than the one which is not complete in its details, though I confess a strong leaning to the Chountra statement, because of its sound discrimination of interesting facts.

2d. That the assigned distances, though not measured but computed, yet having a double basis of computation* by marching time under given assigned circumstances, and by kós according also to a given standard in use in Népál, ought, I should think, to be capable of very definite determination in competent hands.

3d. That both papers are literal translations, and that the additional information procured by myself, and embodied for convenience in the documents, is carefully distinguished by the use of brackets; the rest of such information being thrown into foot-notes.

The Chountra's embassy, as I learnt before I left Káthmándú, set out in 1817; that of the Káji in 1822, as appears on the face of the document. Chountra and Káji are titles of ministers of state in Népál. I proceed now to the substance of the documents; and here, in imitation of my friends, I shall be as curt as possible, and endeavour, in a few words, to bring together the most generally interesting items of information furnished by the two papers. The total distance from Káthmándú to Pekin, according to the Káji, is 1268½ kós; according to the Chountra, 1250 kós; and in that space occur, according to the former authority, 106 mountain-ranges, which are crossed; according to the latter, 104. The Káji's paper gives us the further information, that 150 lakes and tanks occur in the

* I have heard that the whole road is measured and marked by the Chinese; and if so, the Népálese could never be much out, the only thing required of them being the conversion of Chinese li into kós.

route; 652 rivers,* crossed by 607 bridges and 23 ferries; and lastly, 100 forts.

It would be very desirable, in dividing the whole space into the political and natural limits of the several countries traversed, to make the Chountra's and Káji's papers coincide. But I have attempted this in vain, owing to the different names cited in the two papers and the different methods of citation. In regard to political limits, they concur sufficiently, but not in regard to natural limits. I therefore give the former according to both papers; the latter according to the Chountra's only, it being quite clear on that head. I annex the langúrs or mountain-ranges to both statements.

	Political Limits according to		Mountain-ranges according to	
	Chountra.	Káji.	Chountra.	Káji.
	kós.	kós.	langúrs.	langúrs.
I. Népál (from Káthmándú to Khása) . .	29	34½	6	5
II. Tibet (from Khása to iron bridge of Tachindo) . . .	636	649½	63	71
III. China (Tachindo iron bridge to Pekin .	585	584½	35	30
Kós	1250	1268½	104	106

REMARKS.

I. From Káthmándú to Khása there is a difference of 5½ kós, obviously caused by the Káji's detour *viâ* Sankhu, instead of keeping the direct road as the Chountra did.

II. From Khása to the iron bridge of Tachindo, the difference is 13½ kós. It is pretty clearly caused, partly by a small detour as before, and partly by a slightly different use of terms. In the Chountra's paper the specification in the body of the

* Say rather rivers and river-crossings, for the same mountain-locked stream is here and there crossed twenty or thirty times in a very moderate distance. When I pointed out this at Káthmándú, I got the explanation, and was referred to the crossings of the Ráputi River between Hitounda and Bhimphédy on the road to Káthmándú from the plains of India for a sample.

document is "on this side of Tachindo;" in the remarks appended to it "beyond Tachindo;" whereas the Káji's paper specifies Tachindo itself.

III. From the iron bridge of Tachindo to Pekin the difference is only half a kós, which is not worth mentioning.

Natural limits from the Chountra's paper.

	Kós.	Mountain ridges.
1. Cis-Himálayan region (Káthmándú to Bhaírav langúr)	50	7
2. Trans-Himálayan region (Bhaírav langúr to four kós beyond Chinchi Shan, where the *great* mountains cease) .	635	65
3. Chinchi Shan to Pouchin (where *all* mountains cease)	212	30
4. Plains of China (Pouchin to Pekin) .	353	2
	1250	104

To these distributions I subjoin, though it be a repetition, the excellent concluding remarks of the Chountra's paper:—

"Thus there are 104 langúrs (or mountain-passes) between Káthmándú and Pekin, and of these 102 occur in the non-carriageable part of the way, or the first 897 kós; and the last 2 langúrs only, in the remaining 353 kós, or the carriageable part. The last-named part of the way may be said to be wholly through plains, for, of the two hills occurring, only one is at all noticeable, and both are traversed in carriages. From Káthmándú to the boundary bridge beyond Tachindo (China frontier) is 665 kós, and thence to Chinchi Shan is 20 kós. Throughout these 685 kós from Káthmándú, mountains covered (perpetually?) with snow occur. In the remaining 565 kós no snowy mountains occur."

In the way of provincial boundaries we have the following. From Gnaksa, the 37th stage of the Káji's paper, to Sangwa, the 51st stage of the same paper, is the province of U, which contains the metropolis of Tibet or Lhása. At Sangwa, or in full Kwombo-gyamda-Sangwa, commences the Tibetan province of Khám, which extends to Tachindo or Tazhi-deu, which is the

common frontier of China and Tibet. It occurs at the 104th stage of the Káji's paper. The native name of Tibet is Pót vel Bód. The Sanskrit name is Bhót. This is Tibet Proper, or the country between the Himálaya and the Nyénchhen-thánglá, which latter name means (and the meaning is worth quoting for its significance) pass of (to and from) the plains of the Great Nyen or Ovis Ammon, or rather, Great Ammon pass of the plains. That portion of Tibet which lies north of the Nyénchhen-thánglá (as far as the Kwanleun) is denominated by the Tibetans the Western half, Horyeul; and the Eastern half, Sokyeul, after the Hór and Sók tribes respectively. The great lake Namtso demarks Northern Tibet in the same way that the great lake Yamdotso denotes Southern.

A word more about the Bhaírav langúr, which is equivalent to Mount Everest, as recently explained to the Society. The Chountra's paper makes it 50 kós from Káthmándú; the Káji's, 52½ kós. But to obtain the latter result you must not blindly follow the entry in the itinerary, but remember that his "huge snow mass"* covers a large space of the road, which must be understood as *commencing* soon after leaving the 14th stage or Thólung, and not after leaving the 15th stage or Tíngri Langkót.

The documents now submitted themselves suffice to prove the meaning of langúr, since they show it to be equivalent to the lá of Tibetan and the shán of Chinese; consequently also (as we know from other sources) to the Turkic tagh and the Mongolic úlá. It may therefore be rendered "mountain" as well as "mountain-pass," and this is the reason, perhaps, why the Népálese often do not discriminate between the name of the pass and of the peak of Bhaírava, but blend them both under the name of Bhaírav langúr, which is equivalent to the Gnálhám or Nyánam thánglá of the Tibetans. Colonel Waugh, therefore, may be assured that his Mount Everest is far from lacking native names, and I will add that I would venture in *any* case of a signal natural object occurring in Népál to

* This great mass is visible alike from the confines of Népál proper (the valley) and from those of Sikim, and all the more unmistakably because it has no competitor for notice in the whole intervening space. It is precisely half-way between Gosain-thán which overlooks Népál Proper and Kangchán which overlooks Sikim.

furnish the Colonel with its true native name (nay, several, for the country is very polyglottic), upon his furnishing me with the distance and bearings of that object, although neither I nor any European had gone near it.* For the rest, I cannot withhold my congratulations upon this second splendid result of Colonel W.'s labours, though, alack! it would seem fatal to my pet theory of sub-Himálayan water-sheds—a term carefully to be discriminated from *the Himálayan* water-shed to which I now purpose briefly to advert.

Since I presented to the Society in 1849 my paper on the Physical Geography of the Himálaya, a good deal of new information has been published, mixed with the inevitable quantum of speculation, touching the true character of that chain, and the true position of its water-shed, with their inseparable concomitants, the general elevation and surface character of the plateau of Tibet.

After an attentive perusal of these interesting speculations, I must, however, confess that I retain my priorly expressed opinion, that the great points in question are inextricably involved with, and consequently can never be settled independently of, the larger question of the true physical features of the whole of the Bám-i-dúnya of Asiatics and the Asie Centrale of Humboldt.

It *may be* that the Himálaya is not a chain at all, but an exemplification of the truth of Elie de Beaumont's theory, that so-called mountain chains are only parallel dispositions of a series of geological nœuds, which, if laid side by side, constitute the semblance of a chain of longitude, and if laid one over the other constitute the semblance of a chain of latitude.

It *may be* that the Himálaya is not a latitudinal but a meridional chain, and that the geological back-bone of the

* It is obvious to remark that no European has ever approached Dhavalagiri, which yet lacks not a native name known to Europeans; and, in fact, I myself have been twice as near to Dévadhúnga, vel Bháirav thán, vel Bháirav langúr, vel Gnálhám thánglá, as any European ever was to Dhavalagiri. The Bhótias often call the Bháirav langúr Thánglá, or "pass of the plain," viz.; of Tingri, omitting the more specific designation,† Gnálhám, which also might alone designate the object, nay, which is *the* name of the snowy mass as opposed to the pass over it and the plain beyond it.

† Potius Nyánám.

whole continent of Asia does not run parallel to the greatest development of that continent or east and west, but transversely to that development or north and south, and that the Khin gan úla is an indication of the northern extremity of this back-bone, the Gángrí or water-shed of the Indus and Bráhmapútra an indication of its southern extremity.

It *may be* that the question of the water-shed is not to be regarded with reference to the adjacent countries only, but, as Guyot and others affirm, with reference to the whole eastern half of the continent of Asia; and that the northern part of Tibet, inclusive of the Himálaya, is to be regarded as shedding the waters of Eastern Asia from the Arctic to the Indian Ocean. Such things, or some one of them, I repeat, *may be*, and one of the theories just enumerated *may* involve the true solution of questions for some time past investigated and debated on the frontier of India, though without any sufficiently distinct reference to those theories, prior though they all be in date. But the mere statement of them suffices, I should say, to show that they will not find their solution on that frontier, but only when the whole Bám-i-dúnya (dome of the world, a fine Orientalism) has become accessible to science.

In the meanwhile, without seeking to deny that many facts* seem to indicate that the axial line of the Himálaya lies beyond the ghát line,† it is obvious to remark that this assumed line is still parallel to the ghát line, though beyond it, and consequently *cannot be reconciled* with an essentially meridional axis, such as the Gángri range presents. And, upon the whole, and with reference to organic phenomena especially, the ghát line still presents itself to me as the best deviser of the Indian and Trans-Indian regions and climates, though I am not unaware

* These facts are—1st, That several of the Himálayan rivers (beside the Satlúj, Indus, and Bráhmapútra, which cannot be so reckoned) have more or less of Trans-Himálayan courses as the Ganges, Karnáli, Salikrámi, old Gunduk of Hamilton, Arún, Tishta, and Mónas. 2d, That some of these, after flowing a good way east or west over the plateau of Tibet, are at length deflected southwards, instead of passing north into the Erá, or other stream or lake of Tibet.

† Per contra, the numerous determinations of the height of the ghâts at far-distant points seem to warrant our assuming 17,000 feet for the mean elevation of the ghát line; and it may well be questioned if any line of equal height and extent exists north of that line. It is the closing of the *ghâts* that annually stops all access to Tibet, not any obstacle beyond them.

that Bráhmanic geography has, from remote times, carried the Indian frontier up to Mansaróvar and Rávanhrád, to the Brahmapútra and Indus line in Tibet. And, again, though I do not, nor ever did, doubt that Tibet is a very mountainous country, yet I conceive that there are good reasons for admitting the propriety of Humboldt's general designation for it. He calls it a plateau or elevated plain, and all those I have conversed with, who have passed from various parts of the Himálayan countries into those of Tibet, have expressed themselves in terms implying a strong distinction, at least, between the physiognomy of the former and the latter regions. I would add, that nothing can be juster or finer than Turner's original contrast of the two.

No one acquainted, as I have long been, with the native descriptions of Tibet,* *or* with the general and special delineations of the country by Danville, based entirely upon native materials, *or* with such enumerations of mountain ranges occurring between the Népálese and Chinese frontiers, as the accompanying documents contain, could for a moment question that mountains abound in Tibet. On the other hand, there are several reasons of a general nature, besides the specific allegations of the fact by the people, to prove that widespread plains also abound there. It may be worth while to enumerate these reasons. They are as follows:—

1*st*. One language only prevails throughout all the provinces of Southern Tibet, that is to say, throughout Balti, Ladák, Nári, Utsáng, and Khám; or,† in other words, from the Bolór nearly to the Yúnling, whilst in the same extent of country in the Himálaya very many languages are found.

2*d*. The language of Tibet has express and familiar terms for plain and valley, which are respectively called tháng and lhúng in Tibetan, whereas the Himálayan tongues have no word at all for a plain, no distinct one for a valley.

3*d*. It is well known that there are very many lakes in Tibet, and several of them of great size—a fact which involves the existence of large level tracts also, as the contrary fact in

* Journal No. IV. for April 1832, Article I.
† Journal No. IV. for April 1832, Article I.

the Himálaya involves (what is notorious) the absence of wide-spread levels.

4th.—The numerous names of places in Tibet which are compounded with the word tháng, a plain, as Chyan tháng in Nári, Pékhéu tháng in Tsang, Nar tháng in U', and Pá tháng in Khám, would alone suffice to prove that the general surface of Tibet is very different from that of the Himálaya.

5th.—The numerous names of places similarly compounded with the word lhúng, a valley, as Téshu lhúng, Lhása lhúng, Phemba lhúng, &c.

6th.—Tibet is the permanent habitat of wild animals of the true ox, deer, and antelope types—all creatures of the plain and not of the mountain, and none therefore found in the Himálaya.

7th.—Tibet is annually the seasonal resort of vast numbers of the wading and swimming tribes of birds, which pass from the plains of India to those of Tibet every spring, and stay in the latter till the setting-in of winter, whilst the whole of these birds entirely avoid the Himálaya. "The storks know their appointed seasons in the heavens," and their skilfully-disposed phalanxes periodically afford one of the finest sights we have. Kangchán is swept over as if it were a molehill! *

There are few of the Tibetan plains more noticeable than that which occurs immediately on passing the Himálaya by the Bhaírav langúr or Nyánamlá—few contrasts more palpable than that of the Cis- and Trans-Himálayan regions at this well-known and central point; and when I lately requested Major Ramsay, the Resident in Népál, to get for me a confirmation or refutation of my opinion, he answered—"Dr. Hooker must be in error when he says there are no extensive plains in Tibet, because Tíngri maidan (plain), for example, is fully sixty miles in length and fifteen to twenty in breadth. Til bikram Thápa assures me that, in the recent war, he marched along that plain for several days and passed a lake three days in circumference, and which he estimates to be as large as the valley of Népál."† When asked if Tíngri maidan was anything like the valley of Népál, he said—"No! horsemen could not gallop about Népál.

* See my paper on the Migration of Birds in Bengal Asiatic Society's Researches.

† The valley of Népál is about sixteen miles in diameter, or fifty in circuit.

They would have to keep to the roads and pathways. But numerous regiments of cavalry could gallop at large over the plain of Tíngri."* In a like spirit the Tibetans themselves compare the vast province of Khám to a "field," and that of Utsáng to "four channels"†—both expressions plainly implying abundance of flat land; and the latter also indicating those ranges parallel to and North of the Himálaya, which all native authorities attest the existence of in Tibet, not only in Nári, but also in Utsáng and Khám. The most remarkable of these parallel chains, and that which divides settled from nomadic, and North from South Tibet, is the Nyénchhén-thánglá, of which I spoke in my paper on the Hórsók‡ and of which I am now enabled pretty confidently to assert that the Karakorum is merely the Western prolongation, but tending gradually towards the Kwánleún to the Westward. But these parallel ranges imply extensive level tracts between them, which is the meaning of the "four channels" of Utsáng, whilst the East and West directions of these ranges sustain Humboldt's conception of the direction of all the greater chains of Asie Centrale, or the Himálaya, Kwánleún, Thián, and Altaí, as also of that of the backbone of the whole Asiatic continent, which he supposes to be a continuation Westward of the second of these four chains.

Upon the whole, I conceive, there can be no doubt that Tibet Proper, that is, Tibet South of the Nyénchhén-thánglá range is, as compared with the Himálaya, a level country.§ It may be very well defined by saying it comprises the basins of the Indus (cum Satlaj) and Bráhmapútra; or, if you please, of the Mapham, Pékhéu, and Yamdo Lakes.

In this limited sense of Tibet—which the native geographers divide into Western, Central, and Eastern Tibet, called by themselves Nári, Utsáng, and Khám, or, when they would be more

* Tingri is the name of the town. The district is called Pékhéu or Pékhéu tháng, and the lake Pékhéu tso. By referring to the Itineraries, it will be seen that the plain of Pékhéu extends sixty-eight miles in the line of the route, and is succeeded by a still larger plain reaching to Digarchi from Tasyachola (see Chountra's route).

† Journal at *supra cit.*

‡ Journal, No. II. of 1853. Essays II., 65.

§ See Cooper in Bengal Asiatic Society's Journal, No. 5, for May 1869, and Royal Asiatic Society's Report of the Soiree of March 1870, wherein is given the report of Montgomerie's Pandit, who states that the Mukhtinath pass, 13,100 feet, is reached from the North by a long smooth grassy slope varied by occasional cultivation.

precise, Balti, Máryul vel Ladák, Nári, Tsáng, U', and Khám—Gángrí is the watershed of Tibet.

The region called Tso tso in Tibetan, or that of the lakes Mapham and Lanag, equal to the Mansaróvar and Rávanhrád of Sanskrit geography, is situated around Gángrí, where the elevation of the plateau is 15,250 feet. From this region the fall of the plateau to the points where the rivers (Indus and Bráhmapútra, or Singkhú-báb and E'rú) quit the plateau is great, as we sufficiently know from the productions of Balti and of Khám at and around those points. In Lower Balti snow never falls; there are two crops of grain each year, and many excellent fruits, as we learn from native writers;* whilst my own information, received *vivâ voce* from natives of those parts, assures me that the country towards the gorge of the E'rú or Bráhmapútra is, like Balti, free of snow and yields two crops a year; that rice is produced, and silk and cotton; and that these last articles form the ordinary materials of the people's dress. These points cannot therefore exceed four to five thousand feet in elevation, which gives a fall of above ten thousand feet from the watershed, both ways.

I will conclude these hurried remarks, suggested by the ambassadorial routes from Káthmándú to Pekin now submitted to the Society, with a statement, which I think the Society will perceive the high interest of, with reference to those recent ethnological researches, the whole tendency of which is more and more completely to identify the Turanians of India and Indo-China with those of the Trans-Himálayan countries.

It is this—E'ru tsángpo is the name of *the* river of Tibet: E'rawádi, that of *the* river of Western Indo-China or Ava: E'rú vel A'rú, that of *a* river in the Támil and Telúgu languages. Now, when we remember that Tsángbo is a mere local appendage to the Tibetan word,† and Wádi vel Váti a mere Prakritic appendage to the Burmese word; and further, that the Turánians of Tibet, the Himálaya, and Indo-China are still constantly

* Journal for April 1832.

† Tsángpo, of or belonging to Tsáng, the province of which Digarchi is the capital, and by which place the river (Erú) flows. Even the prefixing of a Y (Yéru—Yáru) is equally Tibetan (in speech) and Dravidian! Turner's is the first and correctest writing of the word—Erúchámbu to wit, for Chámbu is the soft-spoken sound of Tsángpo. (For erú read èru passim).

wont to denominate their chief river by the general term for river in their respective languages (teste Meinám, Líkhu, &c.), we shall hardly be disposed to hesitate in admitting that the Northmen, as they moved Southwards into the tropical swamps of India and Indo-China, clung to and perpetuated, even amid various changes of language,* that name of the river of their Northern home (*viz., the* river, *κατ' ἐξοχήν*) with which was associated in their minds the memory of their fatherland.

"By the waters of Babylon they sat down and wept."

P. S.—Before I went to England in 1853, I had been so fortunate as to gain access to some Gyárungs and Tákpas or inhabitants of Sífán and of the South-Eastern confines of Tibet. In my paper on the Hórsók I gave the substance of their information about Sífán. I will here add a few scattered particulars about the country lying above Asám, and the rather because, from the date of my return to India up to this hour, I have never again been able to get access to these people. The Tibetans and Sífánese are wholly unacquainted with the terms Daphla, Abor, Bor, Aka, Miri, Mishmi, Khamti, by which we denominate the tribes lying East of Bhútán. They recognise Cháng vel Sáng (Changlo of Robinson) as the name of a Bhútánese tribe or rather profession. They say that above Palyeul or Népál (Easternmost part—alone known to my informants) is Tíngri: above Deunjong or Sikim is Trinsam (the Dingcham of Hooker and Damsen of myself): above Lhó or Bhútán is Nyéro: above Towáng or Takyeul is Chóna or Jháng chóna: above Lhókhapta is Kwombo: above Tsárung is Chozogon. These are said to be the respective Cis and Trans-Himálayan districts occurring from the position of Kúti in Népál Eastwards to beyond that of Saddia in Asám. It is added that the river E'rú vel Yárú (Bráhmapútra) passes, from Kwombo into Lhókhapta, beneath the great snowy mountain called Kwombochári, and that a great *mela* or mart is held there every twelve years. Lhókhapta, or Lhó of the cut lips, is so called to distinguish it

* The word for river in De Körös's Dictionary is certainly erroneous, derived from a misapprehension of the attached descriptive epithet of the great river of Tibet. The common word for river is chú = water. But I am assured that a *great* river is as frequently called E'ru, A'ru, or with the prefix Yéru, Yáru, as in India a great river is called Ganga.

from Lhó Proper, because the people have the habit of making a permanent cleft in their lip.

Tsáng province is said to be bounded on the South by the Ghúngra ridge, on the West by Mount Ghúndalá, on the North and East by the Kámbalá range; the province of U to be bounded East by Sangwagyámda, West by the river Tamchok-hamba, South by the Kámbalá range, and North by the Nyén-chhen-thánglá. Beyond the last-named great snowy range is situated the immense lake of Nám tsó, which is said to bear the same relation to Northern Tibet that the Yámdo* tso (Palte or Yárbrokyú) lake does to Southern. The former is the Terkiri and Téngri núr† of our maps, as to which maps we have the following further identifications:—Ghámda = Gyámda. Batang = Páthán̈g. Rywadzé = Rewáché. Lári = Lhá ríngo. Kiáng, added to great rivers = Gyárung. River Takin = Gyamo gnúl-chu, and river Yang-tse = Nyá chú. Pampou of Huc = Phemba: river and valley both so called. Galdeso river = Galden, and is the East boundary of Phemba and Lhása valleys, as the Tolong river is their Western boundary.

Abstract of Diary of Route from Káthmándú to Pekin, as taken during the Embassy of Chountra Páúskker Sáh, showing the number and position of the mountains passed.

Position of the mountain passes with the names of some of them.	No. of passes (called *langúrs.*)	Distance in kós.
From Káthmándú to Dévapúr	one	six
Dévapúr to Bhót Sípa	one	four
Bhót Sípa to Choútára	one	three
Choútára to Bísambhara	one	six
Bísambhara to Lísti	one	three
Lísti to Khása‡	one	seven
Beyond Kúti, called Bhaírava langúr §	one	twenty-one

* I have elsewhere corrected the prevalent mistake about the shape of the Yámdo. It is very long and narrow.

† Núr is Turkic for lake as tsó is Tibetan. Tengri núr, or celestial lake of the former tongue, is an exact translation of Nám tsó of the latter. The general prevalence of Turkic words in the geography of Northern Tibet more especially sufficiently evinces the presence of that wide-spread tribe in Tibet.

‡ Boundary of Népál and Tibet.

§ Mount Everest of Waugh.

Position of the mountain passes, with the names of some of them.	No. of passes (called *langúrs.*)	Distance in kós.
Beyond Shékar jéung, called Tásyachóla*	one	thirty-four
Within the Digarchá limits	one	thirty-seven
Beyond Digarchá limits	one	ten
On this side of Lake Khádupainti	one	thirty-nine
Beyond Kapilapainti	one	thirteen
Beyond Lhása circuit	one	sixty-six
Beyond Chhanjugyámda of Khám	one	twenty-nine
Beyond Acharjéung	one	eleven
At Chhésu Khám	one	seven
At Namgye-kúng	one	thirty-six
At Tángtaság	one	six
At Láché	one	twelve
At a nameless spot	one	three
At a nameless spot	one	one
At a nameless spot	one	four
At a nameless spot	one	four
On this side of Lhóju	one	sixteen
At Sáyansámócha	one	eight
At a nameless spot	one	one
At a nameless spot	one	two
At a nameless spot	one	three
At a nameless spot	one	four
At a nameless spot	one	two
At a nameless spot	one	two
At a nameless spot	one	two
At a nameless spot	one	one
On this side of Chhámdo	one	fifteen
At Páng-do	one	twenty-two
At Hyáphélá	one	five
At Thúmélá	one	three
At a nameless spot	one	nine
At a nameless spot	one	nine
At a nameless spot	one	fourteen
At a nameless spot	one	three
At Néwá	one	seven
Beyond Lángurikhúdé	one	four
At a nameless spot	one	one
At a nameless spot	one	two
At Kólósáng	one	twelve
At Phúla	one	ten
At Gólá	one	four
At Phúnzadé	one	nine

* Tásya chólá = Thólá of the Káji's paper?

Position of the mountain passes, with the names of some of them.	No. of passes (called *langúrs.*)	Distance in kós.
At a nameless spot	one	two
On this side of Páthán̤g	one	seven
At Tásó	one	nine
At Sámbáthúm	one	eleven
At a nameless spot	one	six
At a nameless spot	one	two
At a nameless spot	one	three
At Lámáyá	one	one
At a nameless spot	one	two
At a nameless spot	one	three
At a nameless spot	one	one
Beyond Litháng	one	ten
At a nameless spot	one	one
At a nameless spot	one	seven
At a nameless spot	one	two
At a nameless spot	one	two
At a nameless spot	one	seven
At a nameless spot	one	two
At Góló	one	nineteen
On this side of Táchindó* or Tazhideu or Tazedo	one	thirteen
At the military post of Khwálechín	one	twenty-eight
On this side of Chhinchisyán (Sháin or Syán = mountain in Chinese)	one	fifteen
At a nameless spot	one	four
Thus far the mountain-ridges passed are generally large. Henceforward they are small.		
At a nameless spot	one	three
On this side of Yáto	one	fourteen
On this side of Paitán	one	ten
Beyond Thinda phú and Kháto	one	thirty-five
On this side of Lochángsyán	one	two
On this side of Mingtou	one	seven
At a nameless spot	one	four
At a nameless spot	one	three
On this side of Chatoú	one	two
On this side of Ulingnái	one	ten
At a nameless spot	one	six
On this side of Chantoú	one	three
At a nameless spot	one	two

* The iron bridge beyond Táchindó is the boundary of Tibet and China. See Diary of a Journey from Káthmándú to Táchindó, printed in our Researches.

Position of the mountain passes with the names of some of them.	No. of passes (called *langúrs.*)	Distance in kós.
At a nameless spot	one	one
On this side of Gamsú	one	three
At a nameless spot	one	six
On this side of Kwángsyán	one	three
Beyond Kwángsyán	one	six
On this side of Saichháng	one	four
At Saichháng	one	two
Beyond Saichháng	one	five
At a nameless spot	one	three
At a nameless spot	one	two
On this side of Níchhángtoú	one	seven
On this side of Tángákú	one	six
Beyond Mínsyán	one	three
Beyond Poáthínsyán	one	sixteen
Beyond Lúpasyán	one	nine
On this side of Phúngsyán	one	twelve
On this side of Poúchingsyán	one	nineteen
Not carriageable thus far. Henceforward carriages may be used.*		
At Chhálúng	one	caret
At Sínghásyán	one	caret
[Distance of both, as cited below	...	353]
	104	1205

Thus there are 104 langúrs or mountain ridges and passes between Káthmándú and Pekin, and of these 102 occur in the non-carriageable part of the way or in the first 897 kós, and the last two only in the remaining 353 kós or the carriageable part. This latter may be said to be entirely through plains, for of the two hills occurring, only one is at all noticeable, and both are traversed in carriages. From Káthmándú to the iron boundary-bridge beyond Táchindó (China frontier) is 665 kós; and thence to Chinchi Shán or Mount Chinchi is 20 kós. Throughout these limits, or 685 kós from Káthmándú, mountains covered with snow occur. In the remaining 565 no snowy mountains occur.

Horses are used for the first 894 [query 897], and carriages for the last 356 [query 353]. Total, 1250 kós.

* This remark, as well as the prior one in the body of the paper, belongs to the original. The bracketed entry of distance is mine, taken from the remarks below of the original.

Systematic Summary of the Route from Káthmándú to Pekin, as traversed by the Népálese Ambassador to China, Káji Dalbhanjan Pándé, A.D. 1822–23, *and set down by his Secretary at the close of each day's journey.*

No. of stages.	Halting place.	Distance in kós.	Time in ghadis and pals.	Mountain ridges or ranges crossed.	Lakes and tanks.	Rivers or river-crossings.	Boat ferries.	Bridges.	Forts.
1	Gourighát	one	1—5	none	one	two	none	two	none
2	Sánkhú	three	9—0	none	none	two	none	none	none
3	Devápúr	four	15—0	one	none	three	none	three	none
4	Sípá	three and a half	11—0	one	none	two	none	none	none
5	Chóutárá	four	10—0	one	none	one	none	one	none
6	Pairyá	four	13—0	one	none	three	none	three	none
7	Thama gáon	five	17—0	none	none	none	none	none	none
8	Lísti	two and a half	13—0	one	none	two	none	four	none
9	Túgunú	two and a half	10—0	none	none	one	none	one	none
10	Khásá *	five	19—0	none	none	five	none	four	none
11	Chósyáng	five	21—0	none	none	three	none	seven	none
12	Kúti	four	17—0	none	none	three	none	three	none
13	Tháchéling	five	15—0	none	none	three	none	three	none
14	Thó-lúng	four	12—0	none	none	three	none	none	none
15	Tigri langkót	ten	20—0	one (Bhaírav langúr	none	two	none	none	none
16	Tigri or Tingri	three	9—0	none or Thang lá)†	none	one	none	one	one
17	Mímo	six	13—0	none	two	one	none	none	none
18	Shékar jéung	six	15—0	one (Khyumrila)	two	two	none	two	one
19	Lólah	three	8—0	one (Gyachila)	none	one	none	none	none
20	Chyáchópé or Gyáchópé	four and a half	11—0	one (Thólá)‡	none	one	none	none	none
21	Tháng bú	nine	17—0	one (Ðhángso§thóulá)	two	two	none	two	one
22	Lalit jéung	five	11—0	none	none	two	none	none	one
23	Chyá táng	four and a half	12—0	none	none	none	none	none	one

* Boundary of Népál and Tibet since 1792.

† Bhaírav langúr is the name in the Khas language. Thánglá, in full Nyánám thánglá, in that of Tibet. These names of the mountain-ridges crossing the route are not in the original, but obtained by me from other sources and therefore bracketed. This famous pass, the heights above which and constituting with the pass one immense snow mass, which mass is equivalent to the Mount Everest of Waugh, commences (see Chountra paper) 3 kós beyond Tholung, or 55 kós from Káthmándú, 50 by the Chountra's more direct route.

‡ Thólá = Chólá or Tasya chólá of Chountra's paper.

§ This ridge and the three above it are all very small, and none of them of course snowed. The first or Khyumri is situated between the towns of Shékar and Sákya.

No. of stages.	Halting place.	Distance in kós.	Time in ghadis and pals.	Mountain ridges or ranges crossed.	Lakes and tanks.	Rivers or river crossings.	Boat ferries.	Bridges.	Forts.
24	Phencholing	five	12—30	none snowy)	none	one	none	one	one
25	Tási gang	four	9—0	none (Chhunglá not	none	one	none	none	none
26	Girí	five	11—30	one (Khyonglá)	none	one	none	none	none
27	Káti gúmba	nine	16—0	none	none	one	none	one	none
28	Digarcha* or Zhikatsé	three	5—30	none	none	none	none	none	one
29	Péná	eight and a half	17—0	one (Jiklá)	none	one	none	one	one
30	Ták chwe	seven	14—0	none	none	none	none	none	none
31	Gyáng chi or Gyang-tse	five and a half	11—0	none	one	one	none	one	one
32	Kú-nashi or Geb zés	seven	13—0	none	one	one	none	two	one
33	Thúng toï or Ralung	five and a half	11—0	none	none	four	none	three	none
34	Nícháng-u or dzara	five	11—0	one (Chapla) †	none	two	none	one	none
35	Nágakhú jéung or Nan-gache	five ‡ (Yamdó lake on right)	10—0	none	one	two	none	two	one
36	Pai khú jéung or Pédié	six (Yáru	11—0	none	one	one	none	one	one
37	Gná ksá or Khampa par-	six (cross the	12—0	one (Kambalá)	none	none	none	none	one
38	Chusum jéung [chu	six	12—30	none	none	two	one	one	one
39	Gne táng	nine	17—0	none	none	three	none	one	two
40	Lhása	six	14—0	none	one	three	none	two	one
41	Tai-chhin	six	14—0	none	none	one	one	none	one
42	Mito gúnga	thirteen	24—0	one	none	three	none	two	one
43	Ringché láng	five and a half	11—30	none	one	three	none	two	one
44	Usú cháng or Usir gyáng	five	10—0	none	none	four	none	four	none
45	Toïta	five	10—0	none	none	five	one	five	none
46	Nú gári or Nú mári	nine	17—0	one (Gyámda thólá) §	two	one	none	seven	none
47	Sú súng tá	nine	17—0	none	none	six	none	five	none
48	Chyáng táng	six	11—0	none	none	two	none	two	none
49	Ling ta	six	11—30	none	none	five	none	five	none
50	Syáng-tá	five and a half	10—0	none	none	three	none	three	one
51	Sáng-wá‖	five	11—0	one (Thónda lá)	five	two	none	two	none
52	Wó-cha	eight	15—0	none	five	none	one	five	one
53	Lá-thí	five	11—0	one (Bendalá)	none	two	none	one	one
54	Tá-túng-khá	six	11—0	one	none	four	none	two	none
55	Túva-thúng	seven	16—0	one (Chaklá)	two	two	none	none	none
56	Chyá-kúng	six and a half	13—0	none	none	two	none	three	none

57	Walá-tó	eight	17—0	none	none	four	none	six	none
58	Gáwó	five	12—0	one (Syár káng lá)	none	three	none	four	none
59	*Láchi-chó*	five	11—0	none (Nup káng lá)	two	none	none	none	none
60	Tó-tá	eleven	19—0	one	one	two	none	four	none
61	Pyáng-pá	seven	13—0	one	one	seven	none	four	none
62	Lá chá	five and a half	11—0	one	one	two	none	three	none
63	Páli láng	twelve	16—0	one (Serak lá)	none	one	none	one	none
64	Lócha pángwo	thirteen	19—0	two (Nak lá)	none	three	none	one	one
65	Tha-tho	seven	12—0	none	none	two	none	three	none
66	Lilibú-jéung	nine	17—0	one (Gabu lá)	none	one	none	none	one
67	Chyai chhou	nine	17—0	one (Gámu lá)	none	two	none	three	none
68	Máli	five	11—0	five	one	none	none	none	none
69	Wá khó	four	9—0	one (Yutakh lá)	one	one	none	one	none
70	Gnángta táï	sixteen	24—0	five	four	four	none	two	none
71	Lá kúng	five	9—0	none ¶	none	two	none	two	none
72	Là katá	eight	13—0	one (Syánam cholá)	none	two	none	eight	none
73	Tháng dú or Cham-do	eight	12—0	none	none	three	none	two	none
74	Mú phú or Mung bhu	six	12—0	two	one	one	none	two	none
75	Pow tyáng	six	11—0	two	none	one	none	one	none
76	Pá-kúng or Ba-gung	nine	17—30	one	two	none	none	none	none
77	Wáng khá	five	11—0	none	none	one	none	none	none
78	Gnáng ti or Gam	seven and a half	13—0	none	one	two	none	two	none
79	Táyá	eight	21—0	one	none	one	none	two	none
80	Ló cháng chúng	six	12—0	none	none	two	none	two	none
81	Ang sá or Azú	nine	16—0	two	none	one	none	none	none
82	Sépáng kow or Néwa	six	11—0	one	none	one	none	none	none
83	Lí sú or Risyú	ten	17—0	three	none	one	none	none	none
84	Mang khám or Cháng	eleven	23—0	one	none	one	none	none	none
85	Kúsú [kha	eight	17—0	one	none	two	none	two	none
86	Mángali	nine	18—0	two	none	two	none	none	none
87	Khanchi khá	three	6—0	one	none	none	none	none	none

* Zhí-khá-chhén of Néwári, capital of province of Tsáng = zhí-ká-tsé of Tibetan and Digarcha of Khas.

† The Sikim Raja's Vakil suggests Kháruká or Nyunzying Khangzan, a great snowy range.

‡ The Tsamding monastery is situated here.

§ Gyamda tholá and the seven next-named mountains are said to be vast masses of perpetual snow. True of Gyamda tholá and Syarkangla and Nhup Kangla (kangla = snowy mountain or pass), but not of the three intervening lá. The pass of Gyamdatho is very fatal to travellers. Recent *viva voce* information.

‖ Sángwá is on the border of the provinces of U and Khám. From Gnaksa to Sángwá is the jurisdiction of Lhása. The full name of Sángwá is Kwom-bogyamda-sángwa.

¶ None of the above with the simple addition lá, instead of Kangla, are snowy

No. of stages.	Halting place.	Distance in kós.	Time in ghadis and pals.	Mountain ridges or ranges crossed.	Lakes and tanks.	Rivers or river-crossings.	Boat ferries.	Bridges.	Forts.
88	Túngná lúng	eight	15—0	none	none	two	one	none	none
89	Pá thán̄g	eight	16—0	one	none	three	none	one	none
90	Pá púng	three and a half	7—0	none	none	one	none	one	none
91	Tá só	nine	18—30	one	seven	two	none	one	none
92	Tsáng pá	seven and a half	14—30	one	one	three	none	three	none
93	Láma yá	twelve	23—30	four	none	nine	none	eight } * none }	none
94	Tháng-thúng	ten	17—30	two	two	four	none	four	none
95	Lí than	five	9—0	none	none	two	none	two	none
96	Khwongtakhá	seven	11—0	one	none	one	none	one	none
97	Kúmó-li	twelve	21—0	three	none	three	one	one	none
98	Mákai túng	nine	17—0	two	none	three	none	one	none
99	Khó khou	four	8—0	none	none	three	one	six	none
100	Wó lésí	nine and a half	16—30	none	none	four	none	eight	none
101	Tángwá li	seven	15—0	two	none	two	none	one	none
102	Anyáng yá	five	10—0	none	none	three	none	two	none
103	Chéchain-to	nine	20—0	one	none	four	none	four	none
104	Táchindó or Tázi-do †	four	7—30	none	none	two	none	five	none
105	Thou-thán̄g-sung	five and a half	10—0	none	none	three	none	four	none
106	Luting chúng	eight	15—30	none	none	two	none	two	none
107	Phí syáng	ten	19—0	none	none	three	none	four	none
108	Ní thyáng	seven	17—0	one	none	seven	none	nine	none
109	Chhyá chhú-syáng	eight	18—0	one	none	two	none	three	none
110	Pai-phou	seven	17—0	one	none	six	six	ten	none
111	Lúch'yáng syáng	four and a half	7—0	none	none	three	none	four	none
112	Yá-tou	ten	21—0	one	none	five	one	nine	one
113	Pai-táná	nine	22—0	one	one	five	one	eight	none
114	Chi-tou	eight	18—0	none	none	seven	one	six	one
115	Syáng chang-shen	eight	17—30	none	none	twelve	one	eleven	none
116	Chhin-púl	nine	28—0	none	none	thirty-nine ‡ (crossings)	three	sixteen	one
117	Sídhu syá	five	10—0	none	one	fourteen	none	fourteen	none

118	Tayáng	ten	19—0	none	none	forty-seven	none	forty-seven	two
119	Lyóchang-syáng	five	9—0	one	none	nine	none	nine	one
120	Myáng tou	seven	15—0	none	two	six	none	six	one
121	Chathúng syáng	twelve	17—0	two	two	fourteen	one	three	one
122	U-liáng-i	eight	16—0	one	none	two	none	two	none
123	Chyá táng	nine	17—0	two	none	four	none	four	one
124	Tású sú	eleven	23—0	two	one	six	none	seven	none
125	Kwá yá syáng	ten	21—0	one	one	three	one	two	two
126	Syásyú-yan-i	twelve	28—0	two	none	one	none	two	one
127	Khwáng pá-i	six	12—0	two	none	three	none	one	none
128	Nichi-tou	five	10—0	two	none	one	none	none	one
129	Tá gnái	nine	16—30	one	none	three	none	none	none
130	Myá syáng	nine	16—30	none	none	three	none	one	one
131	Páú tyáng	eight	12—0	none	none	four	none	one	none
132	Mátá wei	ten	18—0	one	none	three	none	two	none
133	Tályó-pá	nine	16—0	three	none	six	none	seven	one
134	Lángsyáng	nine	15—0	one	none	seven	none	seven	none
135	Phrasyáng	nine	16—0	one	none	seven	none	seven	one
136	Khwá nyou-phú	eleven	20—0	none	none	six	none	four	none
137	Pau ching syáng	ten	18—0	two	none	nine	none	thirteen	one
138	Phráng-syang-phra	nine	17—0	none	two	four	none	three	one
139	Chhi syáng syan	six	10—0	none	one	three	none	three	one
140	U kúm syáng	twelve	21—0	none	four	four	none	three	two
141	Syángphréngsyáng	nine	15—0	none	four	one	none	one	two
142	Sing-há-phú	ten	19—0	none	two	two	none	two	two
143	Lét-náng-shan	six	13—0	none	two	four	none	four	one
144	Pai-lán-syan	eight	19—0	none	two	four	none	three	one
145	Khwáng myú	twelve	25—0	none	eleven	fifteen	none	fourteen	three
146	Pháng thou ten	ten	23—0	none	two	five	none	two	two
147	Lyangpyáng-syán	ten	23—0	none	none	two	none	two	four
148	Sá-tou	six	11—0	none	one	five	none	two	two
149	I'-páng-syí	seven	14—0	none	none	three	none	three	three
150	Myá-thung-syang	seven	13—0	one	none	seven	none	six	one

* Figure for eight perhaps a cypher.

† Boundary of Tibet and China Proper. See Diary of a Cashmerian journeying on the route thus far in our Researches. Khám extends from Sángwá or 51st stage to this point.

‡ These and the next two noted are crossings of one mountain-locked river, not separate rivers. The fourteen of stage 121 is another instance of the same kind.

No. of stages.	Halting place.	Distance in kós.	Time in ghadis and pals.	Mountain ridges or ranges crossed.	Lakes and tanks.	Rivers or river-crossings.	Boat ferries.	Bridges.	Forts.
151	Syáng-lyáng-syáng	nine	20—0	none	one	fourteen	none	twenty-two	one
152	Khó lyáng syáng	seven	13—0	none	none	seven	none	seven	one
153	Múng syáng	nine	20—0	none	three	two	one	one	one
154	Phai-chhen phú	six	13—0	none	one	four	none	four	one
155	Yé khwá-i [syáng	seven	13—0	none	none	six	none	six	one
156	Khwó-khou-chang-	ten	21—0	none	two [two	five	none	four	two
157	Wei-khai-phú	twelve	18—0	none	twenty-	four	none	four	two
158	Chhi syáng	six	12—0	none	four	five	none	four	three
159	I'ka-i	six	12—0	none	two	six	none	five	one
160	Tá-tai-phú	seven	3—0	none	two	seven	none	six	two
161	Sa-tou	seven	13—0	none	none	three	none	three	one
162	Kháng-táng-syáng	seven	13—0	none	none	six	none	six	one
163	Súng-tou-phú	twelve	12—0	none	one	seven	none	seven	two
164	Lóï chhi-syáng	six	11—0	none	none	three	none	three	one
165	Pai-syáng-syáng	six	12—0	none	none	two	none	two	one
166	Twá-tou	six	11—0	none	one	four	none	four	one
167	Lou thyáng-syáng	four and a half	7—30	none	two	three	none	three	one
168	Dyang-dyang-phú	six and a half	13—0	none	one	three	none	three	one
169	Shito-syáng	nine	18—0	none	none	three	none	three	one
170	Chhipú syáng	nine	20—0	none	two	two	none	two	one
171	Phá khú-syáng	seven	16—0	none	two	two	none	two	one
172	Pou tyán phú	one	11—0	none	one	three	none	three	one
173	Pai-khwó	eleven	20—0	none	six;	eight	none	eight	none
174	Tá-tou	eight	16—0	none	seven	six	none	six	one
175	Lóng syán	eight and a half	18—0	none	none	five	none	five	two
176	Pai-chin (Pekin)	seven	16—0	none	none	five	none	six	three
176	176	1267 (1268½)	2576	102 (106)	150	652	23	607	100

REMARKS.—The above paper, like that which accompanies it, is deserving of implicit reliance, from the circumstances under which it was prepared and transcribed for me. The kós, according to which the computation of distance is made throughout, is that of Népál, equal to 2½ miles; and the time in ghadis and pals is the same, according to which 60 pals make a ghadi and 2½ ghadis an hour. The embassy set out on 7th of Asár (June) and arrived at Pekin on 12th of Mágh (January), halting forty-seven days, which are included.

In the fifth column of the original, the names of the passes (langúr in Khas and lá in Tibetan) are not given. I have, however, set down in brackets such as I was enabled to procure before I left Népál.

SECTION XI.

ROUTE FROM KÁTHMÁNDÚ, THE CAPITAL OF NÉPÁL, TO DARJEELING IN SIKIM,

INTERSPERSED WITH REMARKS ON THE PEOPLE AND COUNTRY.

First Stage to Choukót, East, 7¼ kós.

PROCEEDING *viâ* Mángal, which is within a quarter of a mile of the city, we came to Nangsál, at the like distance from Mángal. Both are petty suburban Néwár villages. Thence to Deopátan, distance three-quarters of a kós, a large pakka * village inhabited by Néwárs. Thence to Thémi, one and a quarter kós. Thémi is a considerable pakka town of Néwárs, and is famous for its pottery. Thence to Bhátgáon, distant one kós. Bhátgáon is a large handsome Néwár town situated near the Eastern end of the valley of Népál, and is said to contain 12,000 houses. Its palace, temples, and tanks are very striking structures. Thence to Sángá, two kós. This bridge-like place stands on a low ridge separating the great valley of Népál Proper † from the subordinate valley of Banépa. It is a small place, but the houses are all pakka, as usual with the Néwárs.

* Pakka here means built of burnt bricks. This word and its correlative kachcha are most convenient terms, for which I know no English equivalents.

† The valley of Népál is about sixteen miles in either diameter, of shape between oval and lozenge, cultivated throughout, and yields two crops per annum, a spring one of wheat and an autumn one of rice. It is very densely peopled with a population of probably 350,000 souls, distributed in three principal and many subordinate towns, all of burnt brick and tiled roof, in the tent style of architecture so prevalent in China. Equidistant from snows and plains, elevation 4500. Centrally placed with reference to the length (E. and W.) and breadth (N. and S.) of the kingdom. For its people see on to p. 196 infra.

Compare note at exordium of vol. on Buddhism, and separate paper therein on Sambu Puran, (Essays I., 115), notices of Valley and Tersi of Nepalya Kallyana in Benga's A. S. Journal.

Thence to Banépa, one kós. Banépa is a small pakka town inhabited by Néwárs, and situated in the vale of the same name. Thence to Khanarpú, one kós. It is a nice little Néwár village, situated near the point where the dales of Banépa and Panouti blend with each other. Thence to Choukót, a quarter kós, ascending a low ridge and quitting the level country thus far traversed, and all of which is highly cultivated, yielding autumn crops of rice and spring ones of wheat.

2nd Stage to Kálápáni, East, 6 kós.

Ascend the large ridge of Batásia and come to the mountain village of Phúlbári, which is somewhat less than one kós from Kálápáni. Thence along the ridge two and a quarter kós to Syámpáti, another small village of Parbattias. Thence to Saláncho, one kós. Saláncho is a third small hill village, and it overlooks the glen of Káshi Khand on the left. Thence to Kánpúr, a Parbattia village, close to which is the halting-place, at a tank called Kálápáni, distant from Mithya Kót one and a quarter kós.

3rd Stage to Jhángá-jhóli, South-East, 6½ kós.

This stage runs along the same ridge of Batásia. But it is here called Ténnál. Half a kós to the hill village of Bhoatia, and another half a kós to that of Gimti, both inhabited by Múrmis. Thence half a kós to Pokri, another similar village of Múrmis. Thence to Cháp Khár, about three-quarters of a kós, a fourth Múrmi village. Thence to Gárchá, another hamlet of Múrmis, distant from the last rather less than two kós: a quarter kós more brings one to the descent into the Biási or vale of Dúmja, on the banks of the Rósi and Sún Cósi. The Biási is low, hot, and malarious, but fertile in rice, triangular in shape, and about a mile in greatest width. The Bar, Pipal, Sémal, and Khair trees* grow here, and large Dhanéses (Buceros Homrai) are seen eating the fruit of the Pipal. The Sún Cósi at Dúmja flows freely over a wide bed of sand, and is about

* The occurrence of the Indian figs, cotton-tree, and acacia, so far within the mountains, shows that the Biásis, wherever situated, have a tropical climate. See on.

forty yards broad and one foot deep. This river, if the Milanchi be regarded as its remotest feeder, arises from the eastern side of Gosain-thán, the great snowy peak overlooking the valley of Népál, and is the first of the "seven Cósi" (sapt Cósi) of the Népálese. Others contend that the true Sún Cósi is that which arises at Kálingchok, east of Kúti.* There are several upper feeders of the Sún Cósi, which form a delta of perhaps thirty kós either way, between Malanchi, Kálingchok, and Dallálghát, where the feeders are all united. From Dúmja, which lies a little below Dallálghát, proceed along the right bank of the River Sún Cósi to Jhángá-jhóli, by the rugged glen of the river two kós, the road impeded by huge masses of rock lying half in the water.

4th Stage to Sítalpáti, East, 4 kós.

Leaving the river on the left, you ascend the ridge of Sidhak and travel along its side, far from the top, to the village of Dharma, inhabited by Múrmis. It is one and a half kós from Jhángá-jhóli. Thence half a kós to Jhámpar, a village of Múrmis. Thence descending again to the bed of the Sún Cósi, you proceed along the right bank for one kós to Chyanpúr-phédi, or the base of the Cháyanpúr range. Thence an ascent of one kós to the top of Cháyanpúr, where stands the Powa or small Dharamsála of Sítalpáti, the halting-place, and which is close to the village of Choupúr.

5th Stage to Liáng, East, 6 kós.

Two kós along the heights of Cháyanpúr bring you to the confluence of the Támba Cósi and Sún Cósi, where the united rivers, of nearly equal size before their junction, are passed at Séliaghát, a little below the Sangam or junction. The Támba Cósi, or second Cósi of the Népálese, has its course at the base of Phallák, a Himálayan peak situated some ten kós perhaps east of the Kúti Pass, which is on the great eastern highroad from Káthmándú to Lhása. From Séliaghát the road makes a rapid ascent of one kós to the high level or plateau of Gumounia, one kós along which conducts you to Bhalaiyo, which is

* See annexed Memorandum and Sketch Map.

only another name for the same plateau. From Bhalaiyo-dánra, one kós to Bétáini village, still along the plateau. Thence one kós along the same high level to the halting-place or Liáng-liáng, which is a large village well inhabited chiefly by Néwárs. Some Parbattias also dwell there, and there is plenty of cultivation and water on the flat top of this low ridge, which is neither mountain nor plain.* The rice, called "touli" by the Néwárs, grows well, and wheat and generally all the field and garden produce of the valley of Népál.

6th Stage to Narkatia, South-East, 4½ kós.

One and a half kós along the plateau of Liáng-liáng, you come to Bhirpáni, having the Dápacha and Manthali glens on the left, by which there is another road, used chiefly in the cold season. Thence at half a kós you descend slightly to Wádi Khóla, a small hill stream, and passing it make the great ascent of Hiliapáni and reach Lámágáon after one kós of climbing. Close to the village of Lámágáon is another called Sálú, inhabited by Parbattias.† Thence one kós to the Likhú Khóla, a slight descent. Thence a small ascent to Bhálú-dánra, or the Bear's Ridge, half a kós along, which brings it to the village of Nigália or Narkatia, the halting-place. The Likhú Khóla is the third Cósi of the Népálese. It is a large unfordable river, which is crossed by a bridge, but is smaller than the Sún Cósi or Támba Cósi. It comes nearly due south from the snows at Kháli Múngali, and forms one of the seven chief feeders of the great Cósi.

7th Stage to Bájbisoúnia, East, 3 kós.

Still along the Bear's Ridge a quarter kós to a small village of Láchia, and another half a kós to the village of Chúplú. Thence quit the ridge, and by a slight descent reach Phédi Khóla, at one and a quarter kós. Phédi Khóla is a small feeder of the Molang. Pass the stream, and ascending slightly

* See note at stage the ninth.

† For tribes of Néwál, see Journal for December 1847.

for one kós, reach the halting-place, which is a village of good size, where plenty of provisions may be had.

8th Stage to Búngnám Kót, East, 4 kós.

Along the same low ridge to the village of Sailiáni, close to which you come successively to the villages of Chilounia and Pokhalia and Aisiálú, all within the compass of less than one kós. Beyond Aisiálú, one and a half kós, is a small pond, the water of which, though not rising from rock, never fails. Its name is Dhimilopáni, and on its left runs the ridge of Thária-dánra and Katonjia village; on its right, the Bhanda ridge and the village of Jaljalia. Beyond Dhimilopáni commence a descent of somewhat less than half a kós, leading to the Molang or Morang Khóla, before named. Cross the Khóla and ascend one kós to Búngnám Kót, a large village and residence of the rural authority, having the smaller village of Bari on its right.

9th Stage to Chúrkhú, East, 6 kós.

After one kós of descent reach the Lipia Khóla, which stream you cross at once and ascend the Lipia-dánra, or ridge, travelling along which you soon come to Okal-dhúnga, a village of Bráhmans and Khas. Thence to Jyá-miria, another village close by on the right. Thence going a kós you reach Charkhú-dánra, merely another name for the Lipia ridge. Descending slightly and advancing one kós you come to Rúmjátár, a celebrated and extensive pasture-tract, where the Gúrung tribe feed large flocks of sheep (Ovis Barúal).* Thence two and three-quarters of a kós of slight descent to Dhanswár, the head village of the rural arrondissement, where the Dwaria, or deputy of Rankésar Khatri, who holds the village in private property, resides. Had the village belonged to the first, it would have been called, as the Dwária's abode, not Dhanswár, but Kót.

* The more general character of Társ is described in the sequel. This one must be very unusually lofty and cool, else neither Gúrungs nor their sheep could dwell in it. It is probably only a cold weather place of resort, otherwise it must be 5000 to 6000 feet high, like the plateau of Liáng, spoken of at Stage 5. Both are exceptional features of the country, which nevertheless, with all its precipitousness, has more numerous, divers, and extensive level tracts than is commonly supposed.

10th Stage to Háchika, East, 6 kós.

After half a kós of descent, we arrived at Thotnia Khóla, a hill torrent which joins the Dúd Cósi about three miles ahead. Proceeded down the rugged stony glen of the Thotnia to the junction, which is reached at Rasuá Ghát. Thence down the right bank of the Dúd Cósi for two kós to Katahar Biási, where the river, which had thus far run through a narrow glen, encumbered with boulders, has a wider space on either bank, capable of cultivation, and yielding fine crops of wet rice, but hot and malarious. This sort of tract is what is called in the Parbattia language a Biási. Katahar Biási belongs to Bráhmans, who dwell on the heights above. The road leads down the Biási, which is above half a kós wide for more than one kós, and then ascends the ridge of Kúvindia for one kós to the halting-place, or Háchika, which is a village inhabited by Kiránts, whose country of Kiránt is bounded on the west by the Dúd Cósi, and begins on this route, where the Dhanswár estate ends. The Arún is the eastern boundary of Kiránt. The Dúd Cósi is the fourth great feeder of the Mahá Cósi, which latter enters the plains as one river at Váráha Kshétra above Náthpúr in Purneah. We have already passed three of these great tributaries, or the Sún Cósi, the Támba Cósi, and the Likhú Cósi. The remaining ones are three, or the Arún Cósi, Barún Cósi, and Tamór Cósi.* Thus there are seven in all; and Eastern Népál, or the country between the great valley and Sikim, is called Sapt Cousika, or region of the seven Cósis, from being watered by these seven great tributaries of the Mahá Cósi. Kiránt and Limbúán are subdivisions of the Sapt Cousika, so called from the tribes respectively inhabiting them; the Kiránts dwelling from the Dúd Cósi to the Arún, and the Limbús from the Arún to the Tamór. The country between the great valley and the Dúd Cósi is not so especially designated after the tribes inhabiting it; but the Néwárs and Múrmis of Népál Proper are the chief races dwelling there. Of all these tribes, the Néwárs are by much the most advanced in civilisation. They have letters and literature, and are well skilled in the useful and fine arts.

* See Memorandum at the end of the Itinerary and annexed Sketch.

Their agriculture is unrivalled; their towns, temples, and images of the gods are beautiful for materials and workmanship; and they are a steady, industrious people, equally skilled in handicrafts, commerce, and the culture of the earth. The rest of the highland tribes of people are fickle, lazy races, who have no letters or literature, no towns, no temples nor images of the gods, no commerce, no handicrafts. All dwell in small rude villages or hamlets. Some are fixed, others migratory, cultivators perpetually changing their abodes as soon as they have raised a crop or two amid the ashes of the burnt forest. And some, again, prefer the rearing of sheep to agriculture, with which latter they seldom meddle. Such are the Gúrungs, whose vast flocks of sheep constitute all their wealth. The Múrmis and Magars are fixed cultivators; the Kirántis and Limbús, for the most part, migratory ones; and the Lepchas of Sikim still more completely so. The more you go eastward, the more the several tribes resemble the Bhótias of Tibet, whose religion and manners prevail greatly among all the tribes east of the valley of Népál, though most of them have a rude priesthood and religion of their own, independent of the Lámás.

11th Stage to Sólmá, South-East, 3 kós.

Leaving Háchika, which is itself lofty, you ascend for two kós through heavy forest by a bad road, exceedingly steep, to the Kiránti village of Dórpá, which is situated just over the brow of the vast hill of Háchika, the opposite side of which, however, is far less steep. Going half a kós along the shoulder of the hill, you then descend for half a kós to the village of Sólmá, the halting-place.

12th Stage to Lámákhú, East, 2½ kós.

An easy descent of one kós leads to Lapché Khóla, a small stream, which crossed, you ascend the ridge of Lámakhú *viâ* Gwálúng, a Kiránti village situated near its base. Thence the acclivity of the hill is steep all the way to the halting-place, which is about half-way to the hill-top, and one and a half kós from Gwálúng. Lámakhú is a Kiránti village like Gwálúng, but smaller.

13th Stage to Khíka-mácchá, East, 4 kós.

Descend half a kós to the Sapsú Khóla, a petty stream, which, however, the Kirántis esteem sacred. Cross it, and commence ascending the great mountain Tyám Kyá. Climb for one kós by a bad road to the village of Kháwa, and another kós equally severe to Chákhéva-bhanjáng, or the ridge, and then make an easy descent of one and a half kós to Khikamácchá, the halting-place. It is a village of Kirántis, in which a mint for coining copper is established by the Durbar of Népál. The workmen are Bándas (Bandyas) of the valley of Népál, of whom there may be fifty or sixty. There is also a Taksári or mint master, and a squad of twenty-five soldiers under a jemadar.

14th Stage to Jinikhésáng, East, 5 kós.

After a kós of tolerably easy travelling, you come to Júkya Khóla, a petty stream, which passed you arrive in half a mile at Pakri, a village situated at the base of the Khokan ridge. Thence slightly descending for half a kós, reach Pikhúá Khóla. Cross it, and ascend the hill of Bhaktáni for one kós and reach Múrkiahúlák, a post-station of the Government close to the 66th* mile-stone of the great military road leading from Káthmándú nearly to the frontier. Thence a descent of one kós to the Khésáng Khóla, one of the innumerable small mountain streams. Cross the Khóla, and ascend the ridge of Thaklia for half a kós to Bánskim and Powagaon, two small conjunct villages of Kirántis. Thence along the ridge of Khésáng for one and a quarter kós to Jinikhesáng, a large Kiránti village, the head of which is Balbhadra Rai, and whence there is a very fine view of the snows.

15th Stage to Jarai Tár, South-East, 5½ kós.

Descending slightly for one and a half kós reach Yákú village, and then descending more abruptly for one kós, come to the Ghongaria Khóla, a small stream. Cross it, and proceed along the nearly level base of the Yákú ridge for two and a half kós

* The route gives 61. The difference of five kós is owing to the travellers making an occasional short cut, for they kept, generally, the great military highway.

to Jarai Tár, a large village inhabited by Kiránti, Khas, and Bráhmans, and situated at the opening of an extensive and cultivated flat running along the right bank of the Arún River, and raised some thirty or forty cubits above the level of its bed. Such an elevated flat is called in the Khas tongue a Tár, whereas a low flat, or one on the level of the river, is termed a Biási. Every great river has here and there Társ, or Biásis, or both.* Társ, from being raised, are usually too dry for rice, but some can be well irrigated from the adjacent mountain, and then they will produce rice as well as Biásis. If not constantly irrigable, wheat, barley, millets, pulse, and cotton are grown in them. The elevation of Társ is too inconsiderable to exempt them from malaria, though they are usually rather more wholesome than the lower and often swampy Biásis. Jarai Tár is an extensive one, being one and a half kós wide, and, as is said, several miles long, following the river. The soil is red but fertile, and the whole of it is under cultivation. The village is large for the mountains, and has some fifty to sixty houses, some of which are pakka, as a caravansery, here called Dharamsála or Powa, and one or two more. The site of the village is higher than the rest of the Tár. The Pinus longifolia abounds in Jarai Tár, and peacocks are very numerous. Also Junglefowl † and Káliches (*Gallophasis melanoleucos*).

* It is remarkable how universally this phenomenon of high and low levels of the land, indicating change in the relative heights of the land and water, prevails wherever obvious sedimentary deposits are found in definite locations. Herbert and Hutton, in their Reports of the Geology of the Western sub-Himálayas, perpetually speak of the phenomenon as occurring in the mountains, and, according to Herbert, also in the Dúns and even Bháver; and Darwin ("Naturalist's Journal") constantly records it in the course of his long survey of South America from Rio Janeiro to the north point of Chili.

The same thing is very observable in the great valley of Népál, whose whole surface is almost equally divided into high and low levels, though the operating cause must here have been modified in its action, as indeed is perpetually the case in different localities. The high and low levels of Tár and Biási I consider to represent the pristine and present beds of the rivers, whose constant erosion has during ages created this difference of level, often amounting to 150 or 200 feet. The low level of the valley of Népál I consider to have been suddenly scooped out, when the waters of the pristine lake (for such the valley was) escaped in one tremendous rush under the action of an earthquake, which rent the containing rock and let off the waters at once.

† From these indications, which are altogether exceptional as regards the mountains, it may be confidently stated that Jarai Tár is not more than 1500 feet above the sea.

16th Stage to Pákharibás, South-East, 2½ kós.

Proceeding half a kós you come to the ferry of the Arún, which is a large river rising in Bhót, passing the Himáchal above Hathia, and forming the main branch of the great Cósi. It is also the conterminal limit of Kiránt and Limbúán. It is passed at Liguaghát by boat, and is there very rapid and deep, and some thirty to forty yards wide. Thence down the left bank of the Arún for one kós to Mángmá, a village inhabited by Kirántis and Limbús, being on the common frontier of both tribes. Thence quitting the Arún, you reach the Mángmá Khóla in a quarter kós, and crossing it proceed half a kós along the mountain-side (manjh) to Ghórli Kharak, which is the name of a small village, and also of a celebrated iron mine, the workers of which dwell above the line of road. A vast quantity of fine iron is procured. This mine, like all others in Népál, is the property of the Government. Iron and copper abound in Népál. Most of the iron is consumed in the magazines for the army, or otherwise within the country; but a deal of the copper is exported, and forms a good part of the pice currency of the plains on this side the Ganges. The Népálese are very military. Khas, Magar, Gúrung, and even Bráhmans, except those of the priesthood, constantly wear side-arms of home manufacture; and the large army of the State is furnished with muskets, swords, and khúkris from native ore. Thus much iron is consumed, so that none is exported, at least none in the unwrought state, possibly because from defective smelting the ore becomes hardened by the accession of fumes of charcoal, and is thus rendered unfit for those uses to which soft iron is applied. From Ghórli Kharak, an ascent of a quarter kós to Pakharibús, the halting-place, which is a Gúrung village, large but scattered, according to the wont of that tribe.

17th Stage to Dhankúta, South-East, 2½ kós.

After a severe ascent of one and a half kós, a wide flat-topped mountain is gained, whence there is a fine view of the plains, and on the top of which is a small lake, very deep, and about half a kós in circumference. Its name is Hilial, and the water

is clear and sweet. Thence a steep descent of one kós brings you to Dhankúta, distant from Káthmándú seventy-eight standard* kós by the great military road, as recorded on the milestone at Dhankúta. Dhankúta is the largest and most important place in Eastern Népál, and the head-quarters of the civil and military administrator of all the country east of the Dúd Cósi† to the Sikim frontier, excepting only what is under the inferior and subordinate officer stationed at Ilám, who has a separate district bounded towards Dhankúta by the Tamór River. Bijaypúr, Cháyanpúr, Mánjh-Kiránt, and a great part of the Limbúán, are subject to Dhankúta, where usually resides a Káji or minister of the first rank, who likewise commands the troops stationed there. After defraying the local expenses, he remits annually nine lakhs of revenue to Káthmándú. Towards the plains the jurisdiction of Dhankúta extends over the old Bijaypúr principality, and towards the hills, over the country of the Kiránts and Limbús. But both the latter tribes are poor at once and impatient of control, so that the Népál Government is content with a lax general submission and a light revenue, levied and paid through the Rais or native heads of those tribes. And this is the reason why only nine lakhs are remitted from Dhankúta to Káthmándú. The present Governor of Dhankúta is a colonel, and brother to the Premier Jang Bahadur Konwar. There is a cantonment, a powder manufactory, a parade-ground at Dhankúta, where the Sri Jang regiment, five hundred strong, is now stationed. The place owes its origin to the Górkháli dynasty, and is therefore recent; but it is growing fast into a town, the pakka houses being already numerous, and the tradesmen and craftsmen abundant, active, and skilful. Provisions are plentiful and cheap, and the workers in Kánsa (mixed metal) are celebrated for the excellence of their commodities, many of which find sale so far off as Káthmándú. The Kiráutis and Limbús, who constitute the soldiery or militia of the former Bijaypúr state, pay to the Górkháli Government annually, in

* The Itinerary gives seventy-one and a half kós. The difference has been explained in a prior note. The standard kós of Népál is equal to two and one-third English miles.

† The central administration extends to the Dúd Cósi. See Essay on the Laws and Legal Administration of Népál in the Transactions of the Society, Vol. XVII., and Section XII. of this volume.

lieu of all other taxes and claims, seven and a half rupees per house or family. The houses or families are large, so that each can cultivate a great extent of ground. But how much (or little) soever they may raise, each family is free on payment of the annual fixed assessment, which the Ráis above noticed collect and deliver. The Rais also administer police and justice among their own people in all ordinary cases. Capital crimes are referred to the Governor of Dhankúta, who must have the Durbar's sanction for every sentence of death or confiscation. Dhankúta overlooks Bijaypúr, the old capital of the Eastern Makwáni or Bijaypúr principality, which stands on the skirts of the Tarai of Morang, but within the hills; and no part of the lowlands (Madhés) is subject to the Governor of Dhankúta. The Madhés is administered by Súbahs, of whom there are seven for the whole.*

18th Stage to Bháinsiátár, South-East, 6 kós.

A sharp descent of one kós brings you to the banks of the Tamór, which is a large river, though less than the Arún. It is never fordable, and is crossed in boats. It is very deep, rapid, but not clear, and about thirty cubits wide between the hot-weather banks. This is the seventh and last of the great feeders of the Cósi, which it joins at Tirbéni, a holy place of pilgrimage, so called from its being the point of union of the three rivers, Tamór, Arún, and Sún Cósi.† The Tamór rises from the western aspect of Káng-chán-júnga. We crossed the Tamór in a boat, and then proceeded half a kós down its left bank. Thence quitting the river, you skirt the base of the Mádi hill for one kós to the Tankhudá-nadi, a small hill stream. Cross it to Mámagá Tár, and then travel through this fine extensive flat for two kós. The whole is cultivable, and the most part cultivated by Denwárs and Mánjhis,‡ and it is situated on the

* The seven zillahs of the Népálese lowlands, which extend from the Méchi to the Arrah, are Morang, Saptari, Mahotari, Rotahat, Bárá, Parsa, and Chitwan. These seven constitute the Eastern Tarai. The Western Tarai extends from the Arrah to the Ghagra. It has lately been restored to Népál, which lost it in the war of 1416.

† Of the seven Cósis, the Támba and Likhú are lost in the Sún Cósi, and the Barún in the Arún, the latter four above the route. Tirbóni is immediately above Váráha Kshétra before noticed, as the point where, or close to which, the united Cósis issue into the plains.

‡ See Essays (1874), Part II., p. 60.

banks of the Tamór, to which the winding of the road again brings you. Quitting the Tár you advance a quarter of a kós to the Rasua Khóla, which forded, you proceed along the base of the Télia ridge for one and a quarter kós to another Tirbéni and place of pilgrimage, where the Cherwa and Telia rivers join the Tamór at Cherwa Ghát. A great fair is annually held at Cherwa, to which traders go even from Káthmándú. Thence proceeding a quarter kós, you reach the halting-place or, Bhainsia Tár. The Tár may be half a kós wide and one kós long; it is very hot and malarious, and is inhabited by the Mánjhi tribe.

19th Stage to Lakshmipúr, E.N.E., 5 kós.

A quarter kós of slight ascent brings you to the Nawa Khóla, a moderate-sized stream, which is ascended for three kós by a very bad road that crosses the bouldery bed of the river many times. Thence quitting the Khóla, you commence the severe ascent of Lakshmi-chúria, which is climbed incessantly till you reach the halting-place near the hill top. Lakshmipúr is a large and flourishing village of Limbús, where men and goods abound, and the climate is fine and the water cold—a great relief after the burning Társ recently traversed.

20th Stage to Ibhang, East, 3 kós.

After a slight descent of one and a half kós, you come to Pokharia Khóla, a small stream, which is at once crossed. Thence a slight ascent of one kós up the ridge of Nángi, along the top of which another half kós brings you to the halting-place, which is a Khas village of large size.

21st Stage to Khándráng, East, 4 kós.

A slight ascent of a quarter kós to the village of Múléi, inhabited by Khas. Thence a great descent of one kós to Kokalia Biási, or the Magpie's Glen, which is watered by the Dóé-mai, a small stream. Cross it, and ascend the ridge of Timkyá a short way, and then skirting along its waist (mánjh) for one and a quarter kós come to the Léwá Khóla, another of the innumerable streamlets of the hills. Cross it, and proceed for one and a half

kós along the base of the ridge of Khándráng to the village of the same name, which is the halting-place and a small village of Bráhmans.

22d Stage to Ilám, East, 5 kós.

Descend the Khándráng ridge for half a kós, and come to a small stream called the Ratia Khóla. Cross it, and then make a severe ascent of one kós up to the ridge of Gólákharak, whence Karphók, the great ridge dividing Népál from Sikim, is visible. Thence an equally difficult descent of one kós to the Ilám Khóla, a small stream. Thence, crossing the stream, make the severe ascent of Tilkiáni ridge for one and a quarter kós. Thence skirt along the side of the hill (mánjh) for one kós to the halting-place of Ilám, which is a small fort designed to guard the eastern frontier of Népál. The Chatelain is a captain, and has a hundred soldiers under him, with eight artillerymen and one cannon of small calibre. This officer is also the civil authority of the arrondissement, and raises the extraordinary revenues thereof to meet the local expenses, sending the balance, if any, to Káthmándú. The land revenue is wholly assigned to his troops in pay.

23d Stage to Godhak, East, 2 kós.

After a steep descent of one kós you come to the Jógmai or Mai River, a small stream, which passed, you commence the steep ascent of Gódhak, and continue ascending to the halting-place, which is a small village of Bráhmans, half-way up the hill.

24th Stage to Siddhi, N.E., 3 kós.

Detained much by rain to-day and yesterday, and therefore made short marches. Leaving Gódhak, ascended by a very bad road, loaded with dense vegetation, for one and a quarter kós to Karphók-chouki, a frontier Górkháli post, where eight soldiers always reside. Thence one kós along the ridge or Lekh to Súddúng, which is but another name for the ridge. Thence a slight descent of one kós to the Siddhi Khóla, a small stream, on the banks of which we halted on account of the rain.

25th Stage to the English Chouki, N.E., 7½ kós.

Crossed the Siddhi stream, and proceeded one and a half kós of slight ascent and skirting the mountain bases to Thaplia. Thence half a kós of descent to the small streamlet of Séchideu. Thence a quarter kós over low hills to the Méchi River. The Méchi is the present boundary of Népál and Sikim. It is a small stream which rises in the Singalélah ridge, a spur of Karphók. Crossed it and ascended the hill of Nágri, by a very bad road and severe ascent of one and a quarter kós to the top. Thence a severe ascent of one kós to the smaller Rangbhang Khóla, a streamlet merely. Thence along the glen to the great Rangbhang, distant one kós. Thence a steep ascent of one kós to Nágri Kót, an old fort in ruins. Thence a painful descent of half a kós to the Balason River. It is a moderate-sized stream, larger than the Méchi. Thence half a kós of rather uneven travelling to the halting-place.

26th Stage to Darjeeling, North, 4 kós.

A severe ascent of one kós, and then an easy half kós along a ridge, brought us to the Company's high-road, along which we travelled for two and a half kós to Jellapahár and Herbert Hill at Darjeeling.

Total kós 109.

At 2⅓ miles per kós = 254 miles.

NOTE.—The Népálese standard kós is equal to 2⅓ English miles, and the travellers had this standard to refer to along a great part of their way, as being coincident generally with the measured military road several times adverted to on the route. Hence their distances from stage to stage may be perfectly relied on, though in the details of each stage the same accuracy cannot be expected.

MEMORANDUM RELATIVE TO THE SEVEN COSIS OF NÉPÁL.

The enumeration of the seven Cósis by the Itinerists is doubtless the accredited one, and what I have myself often heard at Káthmándú. Nevertheless, names are not always applied in strict correspondence with things in geography. Witness the neglected Jáhnavi, the true and transnivean source of the Ganges! Now, if we are to estimate the seven chief feeders of the Great Cósi according to the length of their courses, or their effect on the physiognomy of the country, the enumerations ought seemingly to be as follows:—

1st. The Milamchi *2d.* The Bhótia Cósi *3d.* The Támba Cósi *4th.* The Likhú Cósi *5th.* The Dúd Cósi *6th.* The Arún *7th.* The Tamór	Local series beginning from the West

This list omits the Bárun of the usual enumeration, and substitutes the Bhótia Cósi for the Sún Cósi, and not without Népálese authority for both changes; for it is generally allowed that the Bárún hardly belongs to the sub-Himálayas, and that Sún Cósi is rather the name of the general receptacle of the Cósis till joined by the Arún, than that of a separate Cósi. The following remarks on each river will make this apparent:—

1st. The Milamchi rises above the Bhótia village of that name, and at or near to the eastern base of Gosain-thán, the great snowy peak overlooking the valley of Népál. From the snows, the Milamchi has a south-eastern course of probably sixty miles to Dallálghát. It is joined from the west by the Sindhu, the Tánd, and the Chák; and from the north and north-east by the Indrávati, the Balamphi, and the Jhári. The three former are petty streams, but the three latter are considerable ones, one of them rising in the snowy region, and another having two subordinate affluents. The Indrávati comes from the Hemáchal at Panchpokri, and flows nearly due south into the

Milamchi below Hélmú. The Balamphi and Jhári have only sub-Himálayan sources, situated south-east of Panchpokri, but they have longer independent courses than the Indrávati before they unite, after which they presently join the Milamchi not far above the confluence of the Chák. The subordinate feeders of the Balamphi, above adverted to, are the Boksia and Lipsia. They have short parallel courses W.S.W. into their parent stream. Thus the Milamchi is a notable river, and it is the more so as forming very distinctly the western boundary of the basin of the great Cósi, of which the equally distinct eastern limit is the Tamór.

2d. The Bhótia Cósi has its sources at Deodhúnga, a vast Himálayan peak, situated some sixty or seventy miles east of Gosain-thán and a little north and east of the Kúti Pass, being probably the nameless peak which Colonel Waugh conjectures may rival Kángchánjúnga in height. The river flows from the base of Deodhúnga past the town of Kúti, and has a south-west direction from Kúti to Dallálghát, where it joins the Milamchi after a course about as long as the Milamchi's; the two rivers of nearly equal size forming a deltic basin. In about its mid-course, the Bhótia Cósi is joined by the Sún Cósi from Kálingchok. But Kálingchok is no part of the true Hemáchal, nor is the stream thence flowing equal to that coming from the snows at Deodhúnga. Consequently the name Bhótia Cósi should prevail over that of Sún Cósi as the designation of one of the separate seven Cósis, and the name Sún Cósi be reserved for the general receptacle, within the mountains as far east as Tirbéni. The Bhótia Cósi is joined at Listi by the Júm Khóla, whilst from the Mánga ridge another feeder is supplied to it, much lower down or below the confluence of the Sún Cósi from the east. But as the Milamchi, below the junction of the Balamphi and Jhári, is often called the Indrávati vel Indhani, so the Bhótia Cósi, below the junction of the Sún Cósi, is frequently styled by the latter name, which others again with more reason confine to the more general confluence below Dallálghát. *There* no doubt the name Sún Cósi begins to be well applied, it being universally the designation of the great receptacle of waters running west and east from Dúmja to

Tirbéni. At Dúmjá, which is only a few miles south of Dallálghát, the Sún Cósi receives a considerable affluent from the west. This affluent is called the Rósi. It rises on the external skirts of the great valley under the names Biyabar and Panouti, from the respective dales watered by the two streamlets.

3d. The Támba Cósi. It rises at Phallák in the snowy region, about two journeys east and a little north of Kálingchok, or the fount of the upper and pseudo Sún Cósi. The Támba Cósi's course from Phallák to Sélaghát, where it falls into the receptacle, is nearly south, and, as far as I know, it has only one considerable affluent, which is the Khimti. The Khimti rises in the Jiri ridge, and flowing nearly south, parallel to the Támba Cósi, joins the latter in its mid-course at Chisapáni.

4th. The Likhú. This river is less than the Támba Cósi, and seems to rise somewhat beneath the snows, though its place of origin at Khali Mungali is said to be a ridge connected therewith. Its course is still more directly south than that of the Támba Cósi, to which, however, its general direction is very parallel. I know but one of its feeders, the Kháni, which comes from the Cháplú ridge on the east of the main river.

5th. The Dúd Cósi. It is a large stream, larger even than the Támba Cósi, though inferior to the Arún or Támor. It rises amid the perpetual snows, but at what exact spot I do not know, and it has a southern course to the Sún Cósi at Rasua. Its feeders are numerous, but I know only those near Rasua, which are the Thotia and the Sisnia on the west and the Rao on the east.

6th. The Arún or Arún Cósi. It is the largest by much of the whole, and consequently the main source of the Mahá Cósi, having several feeders in Tibet, one from Darra on the north, another from Tíngri on the west, and the third from the east from a lake. The Arún is not only the greatest of the Cósis, but of all the sub-Himálayan rivers, if the Karnáli be not its equal. None other can compete with it. The Bárún, often reckoned a separate Cósi, is a mere feeder of the Arún, and joins it so high up that there is little propriety in admitting the Bárún as a member of the Sapt Cósi. The Bárún is lost in

the Arún in the Alpine region at Hatia, the great mart for the barter trade of the cis and transniveans by the very accessible pass of the Arún. Lower down the Arún receives many tributaries, from the west, the Salpa and Ikhua; from the east, the Sivai, the Hengwá, the Pilwa, the Ligua, and the Mámágá. Its course on this side the Himálaya is generally north and south; but in Tibet it spreads to the west and east also, covering and draining a deal of ground there.

7th. The Tamór Cósi. The Tamór, also, is a very fine river, inferior only to the Arún. It is alleged to have more than one Trans-Himálayan source. It passes the snows at Wallungchung, or rises there from the snows. Its course from Wallung to the general junction at Tirbéni is south-west, and it receives many affluents on the way, as the Wallung, the Chung, the Yángmá, the Mewa, the Kabaili, the Kháwa, the Nhabo, the Tankhua, the Teliá, the Nava, the Chérwa, the Kokaya.

SECTION XII.

SOME ACCOUNT

OF THE

SYSTEMS OF LAW AND POLICE AS RECOGNISED IN THE STATE OF NÉPÁL.

INTRODUCTION.

[With a view to obtain correct and authentic information on the subject of Népálese law, both in its theoretical principles and practical administration, Mr. Hodgson addressed a series of questions to several individuals who were judged most capable of replying to them in a full and satisfactory manner. Copies of these series of interrogatories, with their respective answers, have been communicated by him to the Royal Asiatic Society (together with a separate paper on crimes and punishments); and the following article has been drawn up from a careful comparison of the whole, excluding as much as possible the repetitions unavoidably occurring, in many instances, in the various answers to any particular question. A reference to the works of Kirkpatrick, Hamilton, and others will show how little has hitherto been contributed to the knowledge of Europeans respecting Oriental systems of jurisprudence, as far as regards the kingdom of Népál; it is therefore particularly gratifying to be enabled to produce so complete a view of the subject as has been furnished by Mr. Hodgson, whose perseverance and energy in obtaining an acquaintance with these and other matters hitherto kept sacred from all strangers, are only equalled by the intelligent and liberal manner in which he communicates to the public the information he has acquired.—Ed. Jour. Royal Asiatic Soc.]

PART I.

ON THE LAW AND POLICE OF NÉPÁL.

Question I.—How many courts of law are there at Káthmándú? What is the name of each?

Answer.—There are four Nyáyasab'hás, the first and chief

of which is called *Kót Linga;* the second, *Inta Chapli;* the third, *Taksár;* and the fourth, *Dhansár.* [Another answer mentions four additional courts, viz., the *Kósi,** the *Bángya-bít'hák,*† the *Daftar Khána,* and the *Chíbhándel.* In the *Kósi,* the *Sirkár*‡ itself administers justice. The *Bángya-bít'hák* is the general record-office of the fisc, and a separate *dit'ha* § presides over it. It is also a *Mahal-Adálat.*‖ The *Kót Linga, Inta Chapli, Taksár, and Dhansár* are the proper *Adálats,* exercising both civil and criminal jurisdiction. In the *Daftar Khána* the disputes of the soldiers relative to the lands assigned them for pay are investigated, and the *Chíbhándel* is a tribunal for the settlement of all disputes relating to houses; neither of these courts possesses criminal jurisdiction; and whatever penal matters may arise out of the cases brought before them are carried to the *Inta Chapli.* All these *Adálats* are situated in the city of Káthmándú, and within eighty or ninety paces of each other.]

QUESTION II.—What are the territorial limits of the jurisdiction of each court?¶

ANSWER.—There are no limits expressly assigned. Any citizen of Káthmándú or Bhátgáon, or any subject dwelling in the provinces, may carry his cause to any court, provincial or superior, that he pleases. [Another answer says, that whencesoever a civil suit comes, and whatever may be its amount, it may be heard in any of the four courts of the capital at the plaintiff's pleasure; but that grave penal cases must be carried to the *Inta Chapli.*]

* Also called *Bháradár Sabhá,* or great council of state.

† Also called *Kumári Chók.*

‡ The Government, or its representative.

§ A superintending minister of justice, who does not try causes, but watches over the conduct of the court.—B. HAMILTON.

‖ A court for questions relating to land revenue.—ED.

¶ See note at Ques. LXXVI. The Sadr courts' jurisdiction (ordinary) extends east to the Dud Cosi, west to the Trisul. Beyond these limits there are a class of royal judges called mountain bicháris to whom, in assigned lands (and all nearly *are* assigned), there is an appeal from the decisions of the assignee. Every assignee, save the sipahis and inferior officers, has a good deal of magisterial and judicial authority, and the fines he inflicts, particularly for breach of the law of caste, are a part of his usual income. But grave cases can always be appealed to the capital, and sentences involving death or confiscation must be so, however high the local authority passing such sentences. See p. 200. Palpa and Doti are administered like Dhankúta.

QUESTION III.—Are the four *Adálats* of the capital of equal and co-ordinate authority, or how far is one subjected to another?

ANSWER.—The other courts of the capital are subject to the *Kót Linga*, in which the supreme judicial officer or *dit'ha* personally presides.

QUESTION IV.—Do the courts of the capital always sit, or have they terms and vacations?

ANSWER.—They always sit, with the exception of fifteen days in the twelve months, viz., ten days at the *Dasahrá*, and five days at the *Dewáli*,* during which the courts are closed.

QUESTION V.—Are the courts of the capital permanently fixed there; or do their judges, or any of them, make circuits, civil or criminal?

ANSWER.—They are fixed, nor does any judicial authority of the capital ever quit it. When necessary, the *dit'ha* sends special judges (*bichári*) into the provinces.

QUESTION VI.—In what cases does an appeal lie from the supreme or provincial courts to the *Bháradár Sabhá?*

ANSWER.—If any one is dissatisfied with the decision of the courts of the capital on his case, he may petition the Government, when the *bháradárs* (ministers) assembled in the *nhólcha* (palace) receive his appeal and finally decide. [Another respondent says: "If the matter be grave, and the party, one or other, be dissatisfied with the judgment of the courts of law, he applies first to the premier; and if he fails in obtaining satisfaction from him, he then proceeds to the palace gate, and calls out, 'Justice! justice!' which appeal, when it reaches the *rájá's* ears, is thus met: four *kájis*, four *sirdárs*, four eminent *panch*-men, one *dit'ha*, and one *bichári* are assembled together in the palace, and to them the matter is referred, their award being final."]

QUESTION VII.—Are the *bháradárs*, or ministers, assisted in judicial cases by the chief judicial authorities of the capital, when they hear appeals in the *Bháradár Sabhá?*

ANSWER.—They are: the *dit'ha*, the *bicháris*, and the *dharmádhikári*,† sit with the ministers in such cases.

* *Dasahrá* and *Dewáli*, public festivals. † A high law officer; the chancellor.

QUESTION VIII.—What concern has the *dharmádhikári* with the courts of law in civil and penal cases; and of a hundred cases brought before the courts, what number will come in any way under the cognisance of the *dharmádhikári?*

ANSWER.—Eating with those with whom you ought not to eat; sexual commerce with those between whom it is forbidden; drinking water from the hands of those not entitled to offer it —in a word, doing anything from negligence, inadvertence, or licentiousness, by which loss of caste is incurred, renders the sinner liable to the censure of the *dharmádhikári.* He must pay the fine called *Gáo-dán* to the *dharmádhikári*, who will cause him to perform the *práyaschitta.** In such matters only has the *dharmádhikári* any concern.

QUESTION IX.—Is any pursuer-general or defender-general recognised in the system?

ANSWER.—No; none whatever.

QUESTION X.—If the prosecutor fail to appear at the trial of an offender confined at his instance, is the offender dismissed, or what course is taken?

ANSWER.—The offender is not dismissed, but remanded to confinement, and the trial is deferred.

QUESTION XI.—What, and how many, provincial courts are there?

ANSWER.—For the provinces west of the capital there are two courts constituted by the supreme judicial authority there; that is, the *dit'ha;* and the provinces east of the capital have also two courts similarly constituted.†

QUESTION XII.—Is the regular appeal from the provincial courts of justice to the ordinary courts of the capital, or to the *Bháradár Sabhá?*

* See Question XXX.

† Palpa and Doti (and Kiránt also, see page 200) are viceroyalties, and their viceroys appoint the judicial establishment; the other districts beyond the ordinary limits of the Sadr courts' jurisdiction (Dud Cosi and Trisul) are administered by mountain bicháris nominated by the Rajah. There is no dit'ha in the provinces, but an appeal lies from all the mountain bicháris to the dit'ha of the supreme metropolitan court. To the westward there are eight, and to the eastward four mountain bicháris, besides which every assignee of superior grade exercises a good deal of indefinite magisterial and judicial power in the lands assigned to him for pay by the State. From the decision of such assignees there is an appeal to the court of the adjacent mountain bicháris and thence to the dit'ha of the Kót Linga.

ANSWER.—To the supreme court of the capital, or *Kót Linga.*

QUESTION XIII.—Are not the powers of the provincial courts regulated with reference to the rank of the officer who happens to be nominated to the charge of the province? In other words, what are the limits of a provincial court, of a *súba*, of a *sirdár*, and of a *káji?*

ANSWER.—They are not; whatever may be the rank of the officer commanding in the province for the time being, the authority of the provincial court is always the same. [Another answer states, that generally all *grave* criminal cases are carried to the *Sadr Addlats;* and the officer receiving charge of a province has a clause inserted in his commission prohibiting him from exercising judicial authority in certain offences. These are termed *Panch-khát,** viz., 1, *Brahmahatya*, or slaying a *Brahman;* 2, *Gouhatya*, or killing a cow; 3, *Stríhatya*, or killing a woman; 4, *Bálahatya*, or killing children; and 5, *Patki*, and all unlawful intercourse of the sexes, such as incest, adultery, or whatever involves a loss of caste by the higher party. All penal cases, with the exception of these five, which must be reported for the direction of the *Sirkár*, and all civil cases whatsoever, are within the jurisdiction of the provincial authorities.]

QUESTION XIV.—When a *súba*, *sirdár*, or *káji*, is appointed to the government of a province, does the *dharmádhikári* of Káthmándú send a deputy *dharmádhikári* with him? or the *dit'ha* or *bichári* of Káthmándú send a deputy *bichári* with him? or does the provincial governor appoint his own judicial officers, or does he himself administer justice in his own province?

ANSWER.—The provincial governor appoints his own judicial authority, called usually *foujdár*, who transacts other business for the governor besides the administration of justice. The *foujdár's* appointment must, however, be ratified by the *Darbár.*

QUESTION XV.—What are the names and functions of every officer, from the highest to the lowest, attached to each *Sadr* and provincial court?

ANSWER.—At the capital, one *dit'ha* for all the four courts; and for each of them two *bicháris*, one *jámadár*, twenty-five *sipáhis*, twenty-five *mahánias*, and five *chaprássís.* The *dit'ha*

* *Panch*, "five," and the Arabic خطا "a crime, a sin, fault."

gives orders to the *bichári*, the *bichári* to the *jámadár*; and the *jámadár* to the *sipáhis* and *mahánias*, who serve processes, and see that all persons are forthcoming when required for the purpose of justice. [Another authority adds the following to the list of officers, after the *bichári*, viz., the *bahidár*, *arz-begí*, and two *naikiá*. The *dit'ha* (he says) decides; the *bichári* conducts the interrogation of the parties, and ascertains the truth of their statements; the *bahidár* writes the *kail-máma*, which the *bichári's* interrogation has forced from the party in the wrong; the *arz-begí* is the superintendent of the jail, and sheriff or officer who presides over, and is answerable for, executions. The *naikiás*, with their *mahánias*, inflict the *korá* * when needed, and they are also subordinate to the *arz-begí*.]

QUESTION XVI. — How are the judges and other persons attached to the courts paid? By fees or salary, or both?

ANSWER.—By both; they receive salaries from Government, and take fees also.

QUESTION XVII.—Are there separate courts for the cities of Pátan and Bhátgáon,† or do the inhabitants of those places resort to the courts of Káthmándú?

ANSWER.—There are separate courts for Pátan and Bhátgáon, one for each city; and each court has the following functionaries attached to it, viz:—one *dwária*, one *bichári*, four *pradháns*, and fifty *mahánias*. There is an appeal from these courts to the chief court at Káthmándú, and important causes are sent by them to that court in the first instance.

QUESTION XVIII.—How far, and in what cases, do the *Sadr* courts use *Panchâyets?*—in civil and criminal cases, or in the former only?

ANSWER.—Both civil and criminal cases are referred to *Panchâyets*, in any or every instance, at the discretion of the court or the wish of the parties. [The answer of another respondent is as follows:—"With the exception of cases of life destroyed, all matters may be referred to a *Panchâyet*, at the desire of the parties; but cases of assault and battery are not usually referred to *Panchâyets*."]

* A kind of whip.—ED.

† Both places are situated in the great valley, the former at the distance of eight, the latter at that of only two miles from Káthmándú.—*B. H. H.*

QUESTION XIX. — Are the persons composing the *Panchâyet* appointed by the parties to the suit, or by the Government? or does each party nominate its own members and the Government add a president or casting-vote, or how?

ANSWER.—The members of the *Panchâyet* are never appointed by the Government, but by the judge (*dit'ha*), at the solicitation of the parties; and no man can sit on a *Panchâyet* without the consent of both parties. [Another reply adds, that the judge takes from the parties an obligation to abide by the award of the *Panchâyet* when given, and that the court or Government never volunteers to appoint a *Panchâyet;* but if the parties expressly solicit it by a petition, declaring that they can get no satisfaction from their own nominees, the Government will then appoint a *Panchâyet* to sit on the case. A third respondent says generally, in answer to the query, "The parties each name five members, and the Government adds five to their ten."]

QUESTION XX.—What means are adopted to hasten the decision of the *Panchâyet*, if it be very dilatory?

ANSWER.—In such cases the matter is taken out of the hands of the *Panchâyet*, and decided by the court which appointed it to sit. [The answer given by another of the respondents states that there never can be needless delay in the decision of causes by *Panchâyets*, as these tribunals assemble in the courts out of which they issue, and officers of the court are appointed to see that the members attend regularly and constantly.]

QUESTION XXI.—With what powers are the *Panchâyets* invested to enforce the attendance of parties and witnesses, and the production of papers, and to give validity to their decrees?

ANSWER.—The *Panchâyet* has no authority of its own to summon or compel the attendance of any person, to make an unwilling witness depose, or to secure the production of necessary papers; all such executive aid being afforded by the court appointing the *Panchâyet*; and, in like manner, the decision of the *Panchâyet* is referred to the court to be carried into effect. The *Panchâyet* cannot give orders, far less enforce them, but communicates its judgment to the court, by which it is put in execution.

QUESTION XXII.—Are all the *Panch* required to be unanimous,

or is a simple majority sufficient? and what course is adopted if there be one or two resolute dissentients?

ANSWER.—The whole of the *Panch* must be unanimous.

QUESTION XXIII.—Are there any persons at Káthmándú who are regularly employed as members or presidents of *Panchâyets*, or are persons indiscriminately selected for each occasion?

Answer.—There are no permanent individual members of the *Panchâyet;* but in all cases wherein *Parbattias* are concerned, it is necessary to choose the *panch*-men out of the following distinguished tribes, viz.:—*Arjál Khandal* or *Khanal, Pandé, Parat'h, Bóhara,* and *Rana;* one person being selected from each tribe. And among the *Néwárs* a similar regulation is observed, the tribes from which the individuals are chosen being the *Maiké, Bhanil, Achar,* and *Srisht.* In matters affecting persons who are neither *Parbattias* nor *Néwárs,* there is no restriction as to the selection of the *panch*-men by the respective parties.

QUESTION XXIV.—Are the *Panchâyets* allowed travelling expenses or diet so long as they attend, or not? If allowed, by whom are these expenses paid? Does each party defray its own, or how?

ANSWER.—Persons who sit on *Panchâyets* are never paid any sum, either as compensation for travelling expenses, loss of time, or on any other account whatsoever.

QUESTION XXV.—What is the nature of the *dit'ha's* authority in those three courts of the capital over which he does not personally preside?

ANSWER.—The *bicháris,* or judges of these courts, cannot decide independently of the *dit'ha* of the *Kót Linga:* the *bicháris* of those courts are not independent. [Another answer is as follows:—"In those two courts in which the *dit'ha* personally presides, causes are decided by the joint wisdom of himself and colleagues (*bicháris*). In those in which he is not personally present, the *bicháris* decide small matters absolutely, but their investigations of grave ones are reported to the *dit'ha,* and they decide according to his directions."]

QUESTION XXVI.—What officers of the court are there to search for and apprehend criminals, to bring them and the

evidences of their guilt before the courts, and to see sentence executed on them ?

ANSWER.—The officers enumerated in the answer to QUESTION XV., as being attached to the courts of the *dit'ha* and the *bicháris.*

QUESTION XXVII.—What officers are there to serve processes in civil suits, to see that the parties and witnesses in such suits are forthcoming, and to carry the decisions of the courts into effect ?

ANSWER.—Those last mentioned, as being employed in criminal cases.

QUESTION XXVIII.—If the plaintiff or defendant in a civil suit neglect to attend at any stage of the trial before decision, is the plaintiff non-suited, the defendant cast, the parties forcibly made to appear, the decision suspended or pronounced conditionally, or what course is adopted ?

ANSWER.—If the plaintiff be absent and the defendant present, it is the custom to take security from the defendant to appear when called upon at some future time, and to let him depart: no decision is come to in such cases. If the plaintiff be present, and the defendant absent, the latter is not therefore cast; he is searched for, and until he is found, no decision can be pronounced.

QUESTION XXIX.—What security is provided in criminal cases, that offenders, when apprehended, shall be prosecuted to conviction; and how are prosecutors and witnesses made forthcoming at the time of trial ?

ANSWER.—*Mál zámini* and *hazn zámini* are taken from prosecutors and witnesses.

QUESTION XXX.—What are *práyaschitta, chandráyan,* and *aptali ?*

ANSWER.—*Práyaschitta:* the ceremonies necessary to be performed by an individual for recovering his lost caste. *Chandráyan:* expiatory ceremonies performed by the whole city or kingdom, in atonement for the commission of some heinous sin or uncleanness, the consequences of which have affected a considerable body of the citizens. *Aptali*—escheats: the lapse of property to the prince, for want of heirs to the last possessor.

QUESTION XXXI.—Is the *Kumári Chók* an offence of record and registry for all branches of the Government, or for judicial affairs only; and has it any judicial authority?

ANSWER.—It is an offence of record and registry for the fisc; and has no connection with the courts of law, nor does it contain their records. [Another respondent, in answer to QUESTION I., reckons it among the courts of law—*Adálats.*]

QUESTION XXXII.—Describe the forms of procedure in a civil cause, step by step.

ANSWER.—If a person comes into court and states that another person owes him a certain sum of money, which he refuses to pay, the *bichári* of the court immediately asks him for the particulars of the debt, which he accordingly furnishes. The *bichári* then commands the *jámadár* of the court to send one of his *sipáhis* to fetch the debtor; the creditor accompanies the *sipáhi* to point out the debtor, and pays him two *annas* per diem, until he has arrested the latter and brought him into court. When he is there produced, the *dit'ha* and *bicháris* interrogate the parties face to face. The debtor is asked if he acknowledges the debt alleged against him, and will immediately discharge it. The debtor may answer by acknowledging the debt, and stating his willingness to pay it as soon as he can collect the means, which he hopes to do in a few days. In this case, the *bichári* will desire the creditor to wait a few days. The creditor may reply that he cannot wait, having immediate need of the money; and if so one of the *chaprássis* of the court is attached to the debtor, with directions to see to the producing of the money in court, by any means. The debtor must then produce money or goods, or whatever property he has, and bring it into court. The *dit'há* and *bicháris* then, calling to their assistance three or four merchants, proceed to appraise the goods produced in satisfaction of the debt, and immediately discharge it; nor can the creditor object to their appraisement of the debtor's goods and chattels. In matters thus arranged, that is, where the defendants admit the cause of action to be valid, five per cent. of the property litigated is taken from the one party, and ten per cent. from the other, and no more.* If the defendant, when

* This fine or tax is called *das-ónd-bis-ónd.*

produced in court in the manner above described, denies, instead of confessing, the debt, then the plaintiff's proofs are called for; and if he has only a simple note of hand unattested, or an attested acknowledgment, the witnesses to which are dead, then the *dit'ha* and *bicháris* interrogate the plaintiff thus, "This paper is of no use as evidence; how do you propose to establish your claim?" The plaintiff may answer, "I lent the money to the father of the defendant; the note produced is in his hand-writing, and my claim is a just claim." Hereupon the plaintiff is required to pledge himself formally to prosecute his claim in the court in which he is, and in no other. The words enjoining the plaintiff thus to gage himself are "*Bérí t'hápó;*" and the mode is by the plaintiff's taking a rupee in his hand, which he closes, and strikes the ground, exclaiming at the same time, "My claim is just, and I gage myself to prove it so!" The defendant is then commanded to take up the gage of the plaintiff, or to pledge himself in a similar manner to attend the court duly to the conclusion of the trial, which he does by formally denying the authenticity of the document produced against him, as well as the validity of the debt; and upon this denial he likewise strikes the earth with his hand closed on a rupee. The rupee of the plaintiff and that of the defendant, which are called *bérí*, are now deposited in court. The next step is for the court to take the fee called *karpan*, or five rupees, from each party. The amount of both *bérí* and *karpan* is the perquisite of the various officers of the court, and does not go to the Government. The giving of *karpan* by the parties implies their desire to defer the dispute to the decision of the ordeal; and accordingly, as soon as the *karpan* is paid down, the *dit'ha* acquaints the Government that the parties in a certain cause wish to undergo the ordeal. The necessary order is thereupon issued from the *Darbár;* but when it has reached the court, the *dit'ha* and *bicháris* first of all exhort the parties to come to an understanding and affect a settlement of their dispute by some other means; if, however, they will not consent, the trial is directed to proceed. The ordeal is called *nyáya*, and the form of it is as follows:—The names of the respective parties are described on two pieces of paper, which are rolled up into

balls, and then have *púját* * offered to them. From each party a fine or fee † of one rupee is taken; the balls are then affixed to staffs of reed, and two *annas* ‡ more are taken from each party. The reeds are then entrusted to two of the *havildárs* of the court to take to the Queen's Tank; and with the *havildárs*, a *bichári* of the court, a *Brahman*, and the parties proceed thither, as also two men of the *Chámákhalak* (or *Chamára*) caste. § On arriving at the tank, the *bichári* again exhorts the parties to avoid the ordeal by adopting some other mode of settling the business, the merits of which are only known to themselves. If they continue to insist on the ordeal, the two *havildárs*, each holding one of the reeds, go, one to the east and the other to the west side of the tank, entering the water about knee deep. The *Brahman*, the parties, and the *Chámákhalaks* all at this moment enter the water a little way; and the *Brahman* performs *púját* to VARUNA in the name of the parties, and repeats a sacred text, the meaning of which is, that mankind know not what passes in the minds of each other, but that all inward thoughts and past acts are known to the gods SU'RYA, CHANDRA, VARUNA, and YAMA: || and that they will do justice between the parties in this cause. When the *púját* is over, the *Brahman* gives the *tilak* to the two *Chámákhalaks*, and says to them, "Let the champion of truth win, and let the false one's champion lose!" This being said, the *Brahman* and the parties come out of the water, and the *Chámákhalaks* separate, one going to each place where a reed is erected. They then enter the deep water, and at a signal given, both immerse themselves in the water at the same instant. Whichever of them first rises from the water, the reed nearest to him is instantly destroyed, together with the scroll attached to it. The other reed is carried back to the court, where the ball of paper is opened, and the name read. If the scroll bear the plaintiff's name he wins the cause; if it be that of the defendant, the latter is victorious. The fine called *jit'houri* is then paid by the winner, and that called *harouri* by the loser; ¶ besides which, five rupees are demanded from the winner in

* *Pújá*, worship—adoration.—ED.

† Called *góla*.

‡ This fee is called *narkouli*.

§ A very low tribe.

|| SU'RYA, the sun; CHANDRA, the moon; VARUNA, the regent of the ocean; YAMA, the deity presiding over the infernal regions.—ED.

¶ Vide answer to Question LXIII.

return for a turban which he gets,* and the same sum, under the name of *sabhásuddha* (or purification of the court), from the loser. The above four demands on the parties, viz., *jit'houri*, *harouri*, *pagrí*, and *sabhásuddha*, are Government taxes; and, exclusive of these, eight *annas* must be paid to the *mahánias* of the court, eight *annas* more to the *kotmál*, eight more to the *kumhalnáikias*, and, lastly, eight more to the *khardár* or registrar. In this manner multitudes of causes are decided by *nyáya* (ordeal), when the parties cannot be brought to agree upon the subject-matter of dispute, and have neither documentary nor verbal evidence to adduce.

QUESTION XXXIII.—Describe the forms of procedure in a criminal cause, step by step.

ANSWER.—If any one comes into court, and states that such an one has killed such another by poison, sword, dagger, or otherwise, the informant is instantly interrogated by the court thus:—How? Who? When? Before whom? The *Corpus delicti:* Where? &c., &c. He answers by stating all these particulars according to his knowledge of the facts; adducing the names of the witnesses, or saying, that though he has no other witnesses than himself to the fact of murder, he pledges himself to prove it, or abide the consequences of a failure in the proof. This last engagement, when tendered by the accuser, is immediately reduced to writing to bind him more effectually; after which, one or more *sipáhis* of the court are sent with the informant to secure the murderer, and produce him and the testimony of the deed in court, which, when produced accordingly, is followed by an interrogation of the accused. If the accused confesses the murder, there is no necessity to call for evidence; but if he deny it, evidence is then gone into; and if the witnesses depose positively to their having seen the accused commit the murder, the latter is again asked what he has to say; and if he still refuses to confess, he is whipped until he does; the confession, when obtained, is reduced to writing and attested by the murderer, who is then put in irons and sent to jail. Cases of theft, robbery, incest, &c., are also thus dealt with in Népál, and the convicts sent to prison. When the

* Hence this fee or tax is called *pagrí* (turban).

number amounts to twenty or thirty, the *dit'ha* makes out a calendar of their crimes, to which he appends their confession, and a specification of the punishment usually inflicted in such cases. This list the *dit'ha* carries to the *Bháradár Sabhá* (council of state), whence it is taken by the premier to the prince, after the *dit'ha's* allotment of punishment to each convict has been ratified, or some other punishment substituted. The list, so altered or confirmed in the council of state, and referred by the premier to the prince, is, as a matter of form, sanctioned by the latter, after which it is redelivered to the *dit'ha*, who makes it over to the *arz-begí*. The latter, taking the prisoners, the *mahá-náikias*, and some men of the *Pórya* caste * with him, proceeds to the banks of the *Bishen-mati*, where the sentence of the law is inflicted by the hands of the *Póryas*, and in the presence of the *arz-begí* and the *mahá-náikias*. Grave offences, involving the penalty of life or limb, are thus treated. With respect to mutual revilings and quarrels, false evidence, false accusation of moral delinquency, and such like minor crimes and offences, punishment is apportioned with reference to the caste of the offender or offenders.

QUESTION XXXIV.—Do the parties plead *vivâ voce*, or by written statements?

ANSWER.—They state their own cases invariably *vivâ voce*.

QUESTION XXXV.—Do parties tell their own tales or employ *vakíls*?

ANSWER.—They tell their own tale—*vakíls* are unknown. [Another respondent says, that instances of a pleader (*mukhsár*) being employed have occurred; it is usually a near relation, and only when the principal was incapable. Professional or permanent pleaders are unknown.]

QUESTION XXXVI.—In penal cases, are witnesses compellable to attend to the summons of the accused, and to depose with all the usual sanctions?

ANSWER.—Yes; the court compels the attendance and deposition, in the usual way, of the witnesses for the accused.

QUESTION XXXVII.—Who defrays the expenses of witnesses in criminal cases? Are such witnesses obliged to feed them-

* The vilest of the vile.

selves during their attendance on the court, and journey to and fro, or does the Government support them?

ANSWER.—The witnesses in penal cases support themselves; no allowance for food, travelling expenses, &c., is made them by any one.

QUESTION XXXVIII.—In criminal cases, if the prisoner volunteers a confession, does his confession supersede the necessity of trial?

ANSWER.—It does, entirely.

QUESTION XXXIX.—If the prisoner be fully convicted by evidence, must his confession nevertheless be had?

ANSWER.—It must.

QUESTION XL.—If he be sullenly silent, how is his confession obtained?

ANSWER.—He is scolded, beaten, and frightened.

QUESTION XLI.—May the prisoner demand to be confronted with his accuser, and cross-examine the witnesses against him?

ANSWER.—He has both privileges always granted to him.

QUESTION XLII.—In civil cases, are witnesses allowed their travelling expenses and subsistence, or not? and when, and how?

ANSWER.—Witnesses must in all cases bear their own expenses.

QUESTION XLIII.—Must the expenses of a witness in a civil case be tendered to him by the party as soon as he is desired to attend, or may they be tendered after the witness has presented himself in court?

ANSWER.—Witnesses must attend without any allowance being tendered, sooner or later.

QUESTION XLIV.—In civil cases, how are costs, exclusive of expenses for witnesses, distributed and realised? Does each party always bear his own, or are all the costs ever laid as a penalty on the losing party when he is to blame?

ANSWER.—All costs whatever are distributed between the parties, after the decision, according to fixed rules.

QUESTION XLV.—If a witness in a civil cause refuse to attend or to depone, what is the course adopted with respect to him? May the summoning party recover damages proportioned to the loss sustained by the witness' absence or silence? and may any punishment be inflicted on such contumacious witness?

ANSWER.—The court will always compel the attendance of a witness required, and will compel his deposition too; and if there be reason to suppose he is prevaricating or concealing some part of what he knows, he is imprisoned until he makes a full revelation.

QUESTION XLVI.—What is the punishment for perjury and subornation of perjury?

ANSWER.—In trifling cases, the perjurer and suborner are fined; in grave matters, they are corporally punished, and even capitally, according to the mischief done.

QUESTION XLVII.—How many sorts of evidence are admissible—oral testimony—writings—decisory oaths—oaths of purgation and imprecation—ordeals?

ANSWER.—In civil cases, the *Hari-vansa* is put on the head of the witness preparing to depose, and he is solemnly reminded of the sanctity of truth. [Another respondent says: "Evidence of external witnesses is the first and best sort; but if there are none, then an oath is tendered on the *Hari-vansa* to both parties, and they are required to make their statements over again under the sanction of this oath; by these statements, so taken, the court will sometimes decide, or one party in such a case may tender the other a decisory oath, and, if he will take it, the tenderer must submit."]

QUESTION XLVIII.—Is oral testimony taken on oath or without oath?—what are the forms?

ANSWER.—On oath; the form is given above. [By another respondent: "If the witness be a *Sivamárgi* or *Brahmanical* Hindú, he is sworn on the *Hari-vansa;* if a *Buddhist,* on the *Pancha-rakshá;* if a *Moslem,* on the *Korán.*"]

QUESTION XLIX.—In civil causes, if testimony of men and writings is forthcoming, may either party call for ordeal, or is it only a *pis aller?* and if one party demands, is the other bound to assent?

ANSWER.—Ordeals are only a substitute, the best that can be had when oral and writing testimony are both wanting.

QUESTION L.—May the prisoner in a penal cause rebut evidence by the ordeal, and are the ordeals allowed to any persons under accusation of crime?

ANSWER.—If the prisoner be convicted by evidence, but still

refuses to confess, and asserts his innocence, his demand for the ordeal must be allowed.

QUESTION LI.—Do parties ever depose in their own causes, and under the same sanctions as external witnesses?

ANSWER.—In all causes, civil and criminal, the parties may depose like external witnesses, and under the same penalties for falsehood.

QUESTION LII.—How are writings signed or sealed. and attested or proved? are the attesting parties summoned, or, if dead, is their hand-writing proved, or how?

ANSWER.—In cases of bonds, &c., the witnesses to which are dead, and no other satisfactory evidence is forthcoming, ordeal is resorted to.

QUESTION LIII.—How are unattested or casual writings proved? Must the writer be produced, or will evidence of his hand-writing be admitted?

ANSWER.—If the writer be forthcoming, he must be produced; if not, evidence of his hand-writing is admitted, and any other sort of evidence whatever that can be had; but if the result of the whole is unsatisfactory to the court, it will direct an ordeal.

QUESTION LIV.—Are tradesmen allowed to adduce their entries in their books to prove debts to them? and must the shopman or enterer of the items be produced to prove the entries?

ANSWER.—The value of entries in merchants' books, and in general mercantile affairs, are referred by the court to a *Panchâyet* of merchants.

QUESTION LV.—How is the evidence of a man of rank taken?

ANSWER.—He must go into court and depose like any other person. [Another authority, however, states, on the contrary, that such a person is not required to go into court and depone; but an officer of the court is deputed to wait on him at his house, and to procure his evidence by interrogatories.]

QUESTION LVI.—How is the evidence of a woman of rank taken?

ANSWER.—The court deputes a female to hear the evidence of a lady of rank, and to report it to the court.

QUESTION LVII.—Is oral evidence taken down as uttered, by rapid writers, and enrolled on record?

ANSWER.—In general, oral evidence is not taken down or preserved, nor is it ever taken in whole. In trifling matters, no record whatever of the evidence is made; but in grave affairs, the substance of the more material depositions is preserved and recorded.

QUESTION LVIII.—Is written evidence, when adduced, recorded; and, if so, is it in full or in abstract?

ANSWER.—Important writings are copied, and the copies are recorded after the decision of the case.

QUESTION LIX.—Is the decree recorded, and a copy of it given to the winning party?

ANSWER.—The decree is written, the original is given to the winner of the cause, and a copy is deposited in the record-office of the court. [Another respondent states: "The decree is not written or recorded."]

QUESTION LX.—Do the decrees record the cause in full or in abstract?

ANSWER.—In full, with respect to whatever they *profess* to record, which, however (as stated above), is not every stage of the proceeding.

QUESTION LXI.—Are the records of the several courts of justice preserved in the *Kumári Chók*, and sent there immediately after the causes are decided?

ANSWER.—The *Kumári Chók* is the general and ultimate place of deposit, whither the records of each court of justice are sent after explanation, and account of receipts rendered to the Government at the close of each year. In the interim, the records stay in the courts where the affairs are decided.

QUESTION LXII.—Where the party in a civil cause enters a suit, does he pay any fee, or when he exhibits a document; and in short, upon what occasions is anything demanded of him?

ANSWER.—There is no fee paid on any of the occasions alluded to; what is taken is taken when the cause is decided.

QUESTION LXIII.—What are *jit'houri* and *harouri*?—in what proportion and on what principle are they taken?

ANSWER.—*Jit'houri* is what is paid to the Government by the winner of a cause, and *harouri* what is paid by the loser. They are proportioned to the amount litigated.

QUESTION LXIV.—What is *dhúngá-chúáyi*?

ANSWER.—A stone (*dhúngá*), the image of VISHNU, is placed before the loser when he has lost, and he is commanded to touch it; he places one rupee and one pice on the stone, and then salutes it with a bow, and retires, leaving the offering.

QUESTION LXV.—Besides *jit'houri*, *harouri*, and *dhúngá-chúáyi*, what other expenses fall on the litigant?

ANSWER.—Half as much as is taken as *harouri* is taken as *jit'houri*; both go to the *Sirkár*, and are proportioned in amount to the property litigated. *Dhúngá-chúáyi* is one rupee per cause taken from the loser; *sabhásuddha* is one or two rupees per cause, according to circumstances; *dhúngá-chúáyi* is the perquisite of the *bichári*.

QUESTION LXVI.—Can a civil action or damages be brought for assault, battery, defamation, &c.; or must the party complained against be of necessity prosecuted criminally?

ANSWER.—A civil action may be brought by the injured party in any of the four courts of the capital.

QUESTION LXVII.—If the defendant in any case as above be cast, is he ever made to pay the plaintiff's expenses in prosecuting him?

ANSWER.—In cases of that sort, no expenses fall on the plaintiff, for the *Sirkár* takes no fines or taxes from him; witnesses have no allowance, and *vakíls* are unknown.

QUESTION LXVIII.—What is the jail-delivery at the *Dasahrá*? Are not offenders tried and punished at the time of offence? and, with courts always sitting and competent to hear all causes, how comes it that multitudes of prisoners are collected for the *Dasahrá*?

ANSWER.—The jail-delivery is a mere removal of prisoners from the city into an adjacent village, in order that the city may be fully lustrated and purified at that season. The usage has no special reference to judicial matters; but so many offenders as ought about that time to be heard and dismissed, or executed, are so heard and dealt with.

QUESTION LXIX.—Is the jail delivered at the *Dasahrá* by the *dit'ha's* court, or by the council of *bháradárs*?

ANSWER.—When the *Dasahrá* approaches, the *dit'ha* takes to the *Bháradár Sabhá* the criminal calendar of those whose

offences have been tried, and states the crime of each, the evidence, and the punishment he conceives applicable. The *bhárádárs*, according to their judgment on the *dit'ha's* report, set down the punishment to be inflicted on each offender, and return the list to the *dit'ha*, who makes it over to the *arz-begí* or sheriff, and he sees execution done accordingly through the medium of the *mahá-náikias*.

QUESTION LXX.—What is the prisoner's daily allowance?—and what is the system of prison discipline?

ANSWER.—Each prisoner receives daily a seer of parched rice and a few condiments. [Another respondent states that prisoners of the common class get one and a half *annas* per diem; persons above that class receive, according to their condition, from four *annas* to one rupee per diem.]

QUESTION LXXI.—What is the preventive establishment in cities?

ANSWER.—There is no civil establishment of watchmen, but the military patrol the streets throughout the night at intervals.

QUESTION LXXII.—To whom are night-brawls, and riots, and disturbances reported?

ANSWER.—The night-watch of the city belongs to the soldiery, who go their rounds at stated times. If they apprehend any persons in their rounds, they keep them till morning in the guard-room, and then deliver them to the *mahánias*, by whom they are produced in court, when their affairs are summarily heard, and they are released or committed to prison, as the case may be.

QUESTION LXXIII.—What are the village establishments of the preventive and detective kind?

ANSWER.—In each village one *dwária*, four *pradháns*, four *náikias*, and from five to ten *mahánias*.

QUESTION LXXIV.—In the villages of Népál is there any establishment similar to the village economy of the plains?—any *barú alotaya*, or *barú balotaya*?

ANSWER.—No; there is neither *pattél*, nor *patwarí*, nor *mirdhá*, nor *garait*, nor blacksmith, nor carpenter, nor *chamár*, nor washerman, nor barber, nor potter, nor *kándu*, on the public establishment of any village of Népál.

QUESTION LXXV.—Is the managing *zemindár* of each village,

or are the principal landholders collectively, bound to Government, in cases of theft, to produce the thief, or restore the stolen property?

ANSWER.—No; there is no such usage.

QUESTION LXXVI.—Is the village *málguzár* usually a farmer of the revenues, or only a collector? the principal resident ryot or a stranger? and how do these fiscal arrangements affect those for police purposes?

ANSWER.—The *dwária* and *pradháns* above mentioned collect the revenues, and the same persons superintend the police, keep the peace and punish with small fines and whipping trifling breaches of it. The *dwária* is chiefly an official person, and the representative of Government or its assignee; the *pradháns* are the most substantial landowners of the village, and chiefly represent the community. They act together for purposes of detection and apprehension—the four *pradháns* under the *dwária.**

QUESTION LXXVII.—How much of the law depends on custom, and how much on the *Shástras?*

ANSWER.—Many of the decisions of the court are founded on customary laws only; many also on written and sacred canons. [By another respondent: "There is no code of laws, no written body of public enactments. If a question turn upon a caste of a *Brahman* or a *Rájpút*, then reference is made to the *guru* (*ráj guru*), who consults the *Shástra*, and enjoins the ceremonies needful for the recovery of the caste or the punishment of him who has lost it. If a question before the courts affect a *Parbattia*, or *Néwár*, or *Bhótia*, it is referred to the customs established in the time of JÁYA ŤHITI MÁ'L RÁJÁ, for each separate tribe; *dhúngá-chúáyi* being performed as directed by

* *Note from Mr. Hodgson's Remarks on the Great Military Road which Traverses the Whole Kingdom of Népál.*—"This State, instead of collecting its revenues and paying its establishments out of them, prefers the method of assigning its revenual claims directly to its functionaries, and leaving them to collect the amount; while, as judicial follows revenual administrations in Népál, the Government feels little concern about territorial divisions: in the whole country, westward from Káthmándú as far as the Nárayáni River, and eastward as far as the Dúd Kósi River, there is no specific arrondissement district, or *zillah*. These large tracts of country are assigned principally to the *Compú*, or army stationed in the capital; and their judicial administration is for the most part in the hands of deputies of the officers, supervised by certain migratory royal judges, called mountain *bichárís*."

those customs. Since the *Górkháli* conquests of Népál Proper, the ordeal by immersion in the Queen's Tank has become the prevalent mode of settling knotty points." *

QUESTION LXXVIII.—In general, what sort of causes are governed by the *Shástras*, and what by customary laws?

ANSWER.—Infringements of the law of caste in any and every way fall under the *Shástra*; other matters are almost entirely governed by customary law (*dés-áchár*).

QUESTION LXXIX.—Do the *Néwárs* and *Parbattias* follow the same or different law *Shástras?*

ANSWER.—The customs of the *Bauddha* portion of the *Néwárs* are peculiar to themselves.

QUESTION LXXX.—With respect to inheritance, adoption, and wills, do you follow the *Mitákshará*, the *Dáyabhága*, or any other *Shástra* of the plains; or have you only a customary law in such matters?

ANSWER.—We constantly refer to those books in the decision of such cases.

QUESTION LXXXI.—How do sons divide among the *Khas* tribe?—sons by wives and those by concubines; also unmarried daughters? What is the widow's share, if there be sons and daughters? What if there be none?

ANSWER.—Among the *Khas*, sons by concubines get a third of what constitutes the share of a son by a wife. [Another respondent says in addition: "If a *Khas* has a son born in wedlock, that son is his heir; if he has no such son, his brother and his brother's male descendants are his heirs: his married daughters and their progeny never. If he has a virgin daughter, she is entitled to a marriage portion, and no more."]

QUESTION LXXXII.—Can the *Khas* adopt an heir not of their kindred, if they have near male relations?

ANSWER.—No; they must choose for adoption the child of some one of their nearest relatives.

QUESTION LXXXIII.—Are wills in force among the *Khas?* and how much of ancestral and of acquired property can a *Khas* alienate by will from his sons or daughters?

* Dr. Buchanan Hamilton observes that ordeals were seldom used until the *Górkhá* family seized the Government, since which time they have become very frequent.—*Account of Népál*, p. 103.

ANSWER.—If a *Khas* has a son, he cannot alienate a rupee from him by will, save only, and in moderation, to pious uses.

QUESTION LXXXIV.—Do the *Magars* and *Gúrungs*, and other *Parbattias* differ from the *Khas* in respect to inheritance, adoption, and wills?

ANSWER.—In general, they agree closely.

QUESTION LXXXV.—How is it with respect to the *Néwárs*, *Sivamárgi*, and *Buddha-márgi?*

ANSWER.—The former section agrees mostly with the *Parbattias* on all three heads; the latter section have some rules of their own.

QUESTION LXXXVI.—How is it with regard to the *Múrmi* tribe, and the *Kiránti?*

ANSWER.—Answered above: in regard to inheritance, all tribes agree.

QUESTION LXXXVII.—Are the customs of the several tribes above mentioned, in respect to inheritance, &c., reduced to writing, collected, and methodised? If not, can they be ascertained with sufficient ease in cases of dispute before the courts?

ANSWER.—The customary law on those heads is reduced to writing, and the book containing it is studied by the *bicháris* and others whom it may concern. [Another respondent, on the other hand, says, with reference to the customary laws: "They are not reduced to writing; nor are the *dit'has* or *bicháris* regularly educated to the law. A *dit'ha* or *bichári* has nothing to do with the courts till he receives from the Government the turban of investiture; but that is never conferred, save on persons conversant with the customs of the country, and the usage of its various tribes; and this general conversancy with such matters, aided by the opinions of elders in any particular cases of difficulty, is his sole stay on the judgment-seat, unless it is that the *ci-devant dit'ha* or *bichári*, when removed by rotation or otherwise, cannot retire until he has imparted to his successor a knowledge of the state of the court, and the general routine of procedures." A third reply is as follows:—"When cases of dispute on these topics are brought into the court, the judge calls for the sentiments of a few of the most respectable elders of the tribe to which the litigants belong, and follows their statement of the custom of the tribe."

QUESTION LXXXVIII.—Are the *bicháris* regularly educated to the law?

ANSWER.—Those who understand *dharma* and *adharma*, who are well educated and practised in law affairs, are alone made *bicháris*. [By another authority: "Those who are well educated, of high character, and practically acquainted with the law, are alone made *bicháris*. It is not indispensable that they should have read the law *Shástra*, though, if they have, so much the better."]

QUESTION LXXXIX.—The *dit'ha* is not often a professed lawyer; yet, is he not president of the supreme court? How is this?

ANSWER.—Whether the *dit'ha* has read the *Nyáya Shástra* or not, he must understand *nyáya* (justice-law), and be a man of high respectability.

QUESTION XC.—Are there separate *bicháris* for the investigation of the civil causes of *Néwárs* and of *Parbattias?*

ANSWER.—There are not.

QUESTION XCI.—In the *dit'ha's* court, if the *dit'ha* be the judge, the investigator, and decider, what is the function of the *bicháris?*

ANSWER.—The investigation is the joint work of the *dit'has* and the *bicháris*. [Another respondent says: "They both act together; the decree proceeds from the *dit'ha*."]

QUESTION XCII.—In courts where no *dit'ha* presides, do the *bicháris* act in his stead?

ANSWER.—See the answer to Question XXV.

QUESTION XCIII.—Among *Néwárs* and *Parbattias*, may not the creditor seize and detain the debtor in his own house, and beat and misuse him also? and to what extent?

ANSWER.—The creditor may attach duns to the debtor, to follow and dun him wherever he goes. The creditor may also stop the debtor wherever he finds him; take him home, confine, beat, and abuse him; so that he does him no serious injury in health or limbs. [Another answer states that the creditor may seize upon the debtor, confine him in his own house, place him under the spout that discharges the filthy wash of the house, and such like; but he has no further power over him.]

QUESTION XCIV.—Is sitting *dhárná* in use in Népál?

ANSWER.—It is.

QUESTION XCV.—Give a contrasted catalogue of the principal crimes and their punishments?

ANSWER.—Destruction of human life, with or without malice, and, in whatever way, must be atoned for by loss of life. Killing a cow is another capital crime. Incest is a third. Deflowering a female of the sacred tribe subjects a man of a lower caste to capital punishment, and the confiscation of all his property. Robbery is a capital crime. Burglary is punished by cutting off the burglar's hands. [The subjoined scale is furnished by another respondent:—

Killing in an affray.—The principal is hanged; the accessories before the fact severely fined.

Killing by some accident.—Long imprisonment and fining, besides undergoing *práyaschitta.**

Theft and petty burglary.—For the first offence, one hand is cut off; for the second, the other; the third is capital.

Petty thefts.—Whipping, fining, and imprisonment for short periods.

Treason and petty treason.—Death and confiscation: women and *Brahmans* are never done to death, but degraded in every possible way, and then expelled the country.]

QUESTION XCVI.—If a *Néwár* wife commit adultery, does she forfeit her *stridhan* † to her husband, or not? and how is it if she seek a divorce from him from mere caprice? If, on the other hand, he divorces her from a similar motive, what follows as to the *stridhan?*

ANSWER.—If a *Néwár* husband divorce himself from his wife, she carries away her *stridhan* with her; if a *Néwár* wife divorce herself, she may then also carry off with her her own property or portion. Adultery the *Néwárs* heed not.

QUESTION XCVII.—Among the *Parbattia* tribes, when the injured husband discovers or suspects the fact, must he inform the courts or the *Sirkár* before or afterwards? and must he prove the adultery in court subsequently? What, if he then fails in the proof?

ANSWER.—When a *Parbattia* has satisfied himself of the adultery, and the identity of the male adulterer, he may kill

* Vide answer to Question XXX. † *Stridhan*, dowry.

him before giving any information to the court or to the *Sirkár;* he must afterwards prove the adultery, and if he fails in the proof, he will be hanged.

QUESTION XCVIII.—Are such cases investigated in the courts of law, or in the *Bháradár Sabhá?*

ANSWER.—The investigation is conducted in the *dit'ha's* court; but when completed, the *dit'ha* refers it to the *Bháradár Sabhá* for instructions, or a final decree.

PART II.

ON THE LAW AND LEGAL PRACTICE OF NÉPÁL AS REGARDS FAMILIAR INTERCOURSE BETWEEN A HINDÚ AND AN OUTCAST.

THE Penal Law of Népál, a Hindú state, is necessarily founded on the *Shástras;* nor is there anything material in its marvellous crimes, and more marvellous proofs, for which abundance of justificatory texts may not be produced out of the Code of MENU and others equally well known on the plains.

The only exceptions to the truth of the above general remarks are, first, that, by the law of Népál, the *Parbattia* husband retains the natural privilege of avenging, with his own hand, the violation of his marriage bed; and, secondly, that this law expressly confounds Mohammedans with the outcasts of its own community. But it may be remarked, in regard to the first point, that the husband's privilege is rather a licensed violation of the law than a part of the law; and that all nations have tolerated, and do still, some such privilege.

Nor can it be denied, in reference to the second point, that if the followers of Islám are not expressly ranged with ordinary outcasts by the Hindú law *Shástras,* it is merely because the antiquity of the books transcends the appearance of the

Moslems in India; since, by the whole spirit and tenor of those books, "all who are not Greeks are *barbarians*"—all strangers to Hindúism, *Mléchchhas*.

If, then, there be any material difference between the Hindúism of Népál, considered as a public institution, and that of the Hindú states of the plains, the cause of it must be sought, not in any difference of the law, the sanctity and immutability of which are alike acknowledged here and there; but in the different spirit and integrity with which the sacred guides, common to both, are followed in the mountains and in the plains.

The Hindú princes of the plains, subject for ages to the dominion or dictation of Mohammedan and European powers, have, by a necessity more or less palpable and direct, ceased to take public judicial cognisance of acts, which they must continue to regard as crimes of the deepest dye, but the sacredly prescribed penalties of which they dare not judicially enforce; and thus have been long since dismissed to domestic tribunals and the forums of conscience, all the most essential but revolting dogmata of Hindú jurisprudence.

We must not, however, forget the blander influence of persuasion and mutual concession, operating through a long tract of time. The Moslems, though the conquerors, gradually laid aside their most offensive maxims: the Hindú princes, their allies and dependants, could not do otherwise than imitate this example; and hence, if there is much diversity between the Hindú laws and Hindú judgments, now and for ages past given in the public tribunals of the Hindú princes of the plains, there is no less between the law of the Korán and its first commentators, and the judgments of AKBAR and his successors.

But neither persuasion nor example, nor coercion, has had room to operate such a change in these mountains; the dominant classes of the inhabitants of which, originally refugees from Mohammedan bigotry, have in their seclusion nursed their hereditary hatred of Islámism, whilst they bade defiance to its power; and they have latterly come very naturally to regard themselves as the sole remaining depositaries of undefiled, national Hindúism. Hence their enthusiasm, which burns all the fiercer for a secret consciousness that their particular and,

as it were, personal pretensions, as Hindús, are and must be but lowly rated at Benares.

The proud *Khas*, the soi-disant *Kshatriyas* of Népál, and the *Parbattia Brahmans*, with all their pharasaical assertions of ceremonial purity, take water from the hands of the Kachár Bhótias—men who, though they dare not kill the cow under their present Hindú rulers, greedily devour the carrion carcase left by disease—men, whose whole lives are as much opposed to practical, as their whole tenets are to speculative, Hindúism.

In very truth, the genius of Polytheism, everywhere accommodating, is peculiarly so to its professors and their like in Népál. Here, religious opinions are utterly disregarded; and even practice is suffered among the privileged to deviate in a thousand ways from the prescribed standard. The *Néwárs*, or aborigines of the valley of Népál, are, for the most part, Buddhists; but they are deemed very good Hindús nevertheless, pretty much in the same way as R'AM MOHUN RAYA passes for a good Hindú at Calcutta. A variety of practices, too, which would not be tolerated even in a Hindú below, are here notoriously and avowedly followed. They are omissions, not commissions, for the most part. But there are daily acts of the positive kind done in the hills which could not be done openly in the plains.*

Still these are matters which the Darbár would not brook the discussion of with us; and I am afraid that their known deviations, in many respects, would only make them more punctilious and obstinate in regard to those few which it is so much our interest and duty to get compromised, if we can, with reference to our followers. Unfortunately, these few topics are the salient points of Hindúism; are precisely those points which it is the pride and glory of this state to maintain from the throne and judgment-seat, as the chief features of the public law; *because*, nowhere else throughout India can they be maintained in the same public and authentic manner, or any otherwise than by the domestic tribunals of the people. The

* The gallant soldiers of these hills cannot endure the tedious ceremonial of Hindúism. When preparing to cook, they satisfy the law by washing their hands and face, instead of their whole bodies; by taking off their turbans, instead of their whole dress. Nor are they at all afraid of being degraded to *kúlis* if they should carry ten days' provisions, in time of war, on their backs. *Et sic de cæteris.*

distinction between Hindús on the one hand, and, on the other, outcasts of their own race, as well as all strangers indiscriminately, it is the special duty of the judges of the land to ponder upon day and night, to pursue it through all its practical consequences, as infinitely diversified by the ceremonial observances created to guard and perpetuate it; and to visit, with the utmost vengeance of the Penal Code, every act by which this cardinal distinction is knowingly and essentially violated.

Of all these acts, the most severely regarded is intercourse between the sexes of such parties; because of its leading directly to the confusion of all castes, of the greatness of the temptation, and of the strong inducement to concealment; and the concealment is deemed almost as bad as the crime itself; for the Hindú agent or subject will, of course, proceed, till detected, to communicate as usual with his or her relations, who again will communicate with theirs, until the foul contamination has reached the ends of the city and kingdom, and imposed upon all (besides the sin) the necessity of submitting themselves to a variety of tedious and expensive purificatory processes, pending the fulfilment of which all their pursuits of business or pleasure are necessarily suspended, and themselves rendered, for the time, outcasts. This, to be sure, is a great and real evil, deserving of severe repressive measures. But is not the evil self-created? True: but so we may not argue at Káthmándú. The law of caste is the corner-stone of Hindúism. Hence the innumerable ceremonial observances, penetrating into every act of life, which have been erected to perpetuate this law; and hence the dreadful inflictions with which the breach of it is visited. Of all breaches of it, intercourse between a Hindú and an outcast of different sexes is the most enormous; but it is not, by many, the only one deemed worthy of punishment by mutilation or death. The Codes of MENU and other Hindú sages are full of these strange enormities; but it is in Népál alone (for reasons already stated) that the sword of public justice is now wielded to realise them. It is in Népál alone, of all Hindú states, that two-thirds of the time of the judges is employed in the discussion of cases better fitted for the confessional, or the tribunal of public opinion, or some domestic

court, such as the *Panchâyet* of brethren or fellow-craftsmen, than for a King's Court of justice. Not such, however, is the opinion of the Népálese, who, while they are forcing confessions from young men and young women, by dint of scolding and whipping, in order to visit them afterwards with ridiculous penances or savage punishments, instead of discharging such functions with a sigh or a smile, glorify themselves in that they are thus maintaining the holy will of BRÁHMA, enforcing from the judgment-seat those sacred institutes, which elsewhere the magistrate (shame upon him!) neglects through fear, or despises as an infidel.

When the banner of Hindúism dropped from the hands of the Mahrattas in 1817, they solemnly conjured the Népálese to take it up, and wave it proudly, till it could be again unfurled in the plains by the expulsion of the vile *Feringis*, and the subjection of the insolent followers of Islám. But surely the British Government, so justly famous for its liberality, cannot be fairly subjected to insinuations such as this? So it may seem; but let any one turn over the pages of MENU, observe the conspicuous station assigned to the public magistrate as a *censor morum* under the immensely extensive and complicate system of morals there laid down, and remember, that whilst it is the Hindú magistrate's first duty to enforce them, to the British magistrate they are and have been a dead letter: let him look to the variety of dreadful inflictions assigned to violations of the law of caste, and remember, that whilst their literal fulfilment is the Hindú magistrate's most sacred obligation, British magistrates shrink with horror and disgust at the very thought of them; and he will be better prepared to appreciate and make allowance for the sentiments of Hindú sovereigns and Hindú magistrates. The Hindú sovereigns *dare* not, and we *will* not, obey the sacred mandate. But in Népál, it is the pride and glory of the magistrate to obey it, literally, blindly, unbiassed by foreign example, unawed by foreign power.

An eminent old *bichári* or judge of the chief court of Káthmándú, to whom I am indebted for an excellent sketch of the judicial system of Népál, after answering all my questions on the subject, concluded with some voluntary observations of his own. from which I extract the following passage:—

"Below, let man and woman commit what sin they will, there is no punishment provided, no expiatory right enjoined.* Hence Hindúism is destroyed; the customs are Mohammedan; the distinctions of caste are obliterated. Here, on the contrary, all those distinctions are religiously preserved by the public courts of justice, which punish according to caste, and never destroy the life of a *Brahman*. If a female of the sacred order go astray, and her paramour be not a *Brahman*, he is capitally punished; but if he be a *Brahman* he is degraded from his rank, and banished. If a female of the soldier tribes be seduced, the husband, with his own hand, kills the seducer, and cuts off the nose of the female, and expels her from his house. Then the *Brahman* or soldier-husband must perform the purificatory rites enjoined, after which he is restored to his caste. *Below, the Shástras are things to talk of: here, they are acted up to.*"

I have, by the above remarks, endeavoured to convey an idea of the sort of feeling relative to them which prevails in Népál. It will serve, I hope, as a sort of apology for the Népálese; but will, I fear, also serve to demonstrate the small probability there exists of our inducing the Darbár to waive in our favour so cherished a point of religion, and, I may add, of policy; for they are well aware of the effect of this rigour, intending to facilitate the restricted intercourse between the Népálese and our followers, a restriction which they seek to maintain with Chinese pertinacity. Besides, the *Shástras* are holy things, and frail as holy; and no Hindú of tolerable shrewdness will submit a single text of them, if he can avoid it, to the calm, free glance of European intellect.

Having already given the most abundant materials† for judging of the general tenor of the judicial proceedings and of the laws of Népál, it will not be necessary (or possible), in this paper, to do more than briefly apply them, as regards that intercourse between a Hindú, and a non-Hindú, at present under discussion.

The customary law or license which permits the injured

* It is the exclusive duty of one of the highest functionaries of this Government (the *Dharmádhikári*) to prescribe the fitting penance and purificatory rites for each violation of the ceremonial law of purity.

† In allusion to other papers by Mr Hodgson.—ED.

husband in Népál to be his own avenger, is confined to the *Parbattias*, the principal divisions of whom are the *Brahmans*, the *Khas*, the *Magars*, and the *Gúrungs*. The *Néwárs*, *Múrmis*,* *Kachár-Bhotias*, *Kiránt*is,† and other inhabitants of Népál, possess no such privilege. They must seek redress from the courts of justice, which, guiding themselves by the custom of these tribes prior to the conquest, award to the injured husband a small pecuniary compensation, which the injurer is compelled to pay.

Nothing further, therefore, need at present be said of them. In regard to the *Parbattias*, every injured husband has the option, if he please, of appealing to the courts, instead of using his own sword; but any one save a learned *Brahman* or a helpless boy, who should do so, would be covered with eternal disgrace. A *Brahman* who follows his holy calling cannot, consistently with usage, play the avenger; but a *Brahman* carrying arms must act like his brethren in arms. A boy, whose wife has been seduced, may employ the arm of his grown-up brother or cousin to avenge him. But if he have none such, he, as well as the learned *Brahman*, may appeal to the prince, who, through his courts of justice, comes forward to avenge the wrong (such is the sentiment here), and to wipe out the stain with blood; death, whether by law or extra-judicially, being the doom of all adulterers with the wives of *Parbattias*. *Brahmans*, indeed, by a law superior to all laws, may not be done to death by sentence of a court of justice. But no one will care to question the *Parbattia*, who, with his own hand, destroys an adulterer, *Brahman* though that adulterer be. If the law be required to judge a *Brahman* for this crime, the sentence is, to be degraded from his caste, and banished for ever, with every mark of infamy. If a *Parbattia* marry into a tribe such as the *Néwár*, which claims no privilege of licensed revenge, he may not, in regard to such wife, exercise the privilege.

But must not a *Parbattia*, before he proceed to avenge himself, prove the fact and the identity of the offender, in a court of justice? No! To appeal to a court would afford a warning to the delinquents to escape, and so foil him. He may pursue

* Kachár = cis-Nivean.

† See above, Vol. I., pp. 176 ff. 397 ff.

his revenge without a thought of the magistrate; he may watch his opportunity for years, till he can safely execute his design; and when he has, at last, found it, he may use it to the adulterer's destruction. But he may not spare the adulteress: he must cut off her nose, and drive her with ignominy from his house; her caste and station for ever gone. If the wife have notoriously sinned with many, the husband may not destroy any but the first seducer, and though the husband need prove nothing beforehand, he must be prepared with legal proof afterwards, in case the wife should deny the fact, and summon him before the courts (no other person can) for murder and mutilation.

And what is deemed legal proof in this case? The wife's confession made in the presence of two witnesses. But who is to warrant us that the confession is free? This, it must be confessed, is an awkward question; since, by the law of Népál, the husband's power over his wife is extreme. He may beat her; lock her up; starve her *ad libitum*, so long as he endanger not her life or limbs; and that he will do all this and more, when his whole soul is bent upon procuring the necessary acknowledgment of her frailty, is too probable. But still, her honour, her station, and her beauty are dear to a woman; and every *Parbattia* wife knows, that the terrible avowal once made, she becomes in an instant a noseless and infamous outcast. There is little real danger, therefore, that a true woman should be false to herself, by confessing, where there was no sin, *for fear of her husband;* and no danger at all, I apprehend, that, as has been imagined, she could be won to become the *tool* of some *petty malice* of her husband, or of the covert *political spleen* of the Darbár. There are, indeed, some married *Brahmans* among the soldiery of Népál; and the wife of a *Brahman* may not be mutilated. But in proportion as the station of a *Brahmaní* is higher than that of all others, so must its prerogatives be dearer to her; and all these she must lose if she confess. She must be driven from her home by her husband, and be degraded and banished the kingdom by the State. But there is certainly a contingent hazard to our followers, arising out of the circumstance of the adulteress, if she have sinned with many, being required to name her first lover; for since she must, in every court, suffer

the full penalties of her crime, it may well be supposed that, under various circumstances, she might be led to name, as her first paramour, one of our *sipáhis*, instead of a country fellow. This, however, seems to me a vague and barely possible contingency.

PROCEDURE.

The proofs and procedure before the Népál tribunals will fall more naturally under consideration, when we proceed to the next case. Suffice it here to say, that if, when the husband would cut off his wife's nose, or afterwards, the wife should hurry to a court of justice, and deny her guilt, the husband must be brought up to answer. In ninety-nine cases out of a hundred, the husband's answer consists in simply producing the two witnesses to his wife's confession of guilt. She, of course, affirms that the confession was extorted by unwarrantable cruelty towards her; and if she can support such a plea (it is hard to do so, for the husband's legal power covers a multitude of sins), in a manner satisfactory to the court, and if the husband have no counter-evidence to this plea, nor any circumstantial or general evidence of the guilt which he affirms, he may be condemned to death. But, in the vast majority of cases, his two witnesses to the confession, with such circumstantial evidence as the case, if a true bill, can hardly want, will suffice for his justification.

INTERCOURSE BETWEEN A HINDÚ AND A NON-HINDÚ—THE LAW.

He who may give water to a pure Hindú to drink, is within the pale of Hindúism; he whose water may not be drunk by a pure Hindú, is an outcast, an unutterably vile creature, whose intimate contact with one within the pale is foul contamination, communicable to the pure by the slightest and most necessary intercourse held with them, and, through them, to all others. If trivial and involuntary, it may be expiated by the individual, if he alone be affected; or by all with whom he and they communicated before the discovery of the taint, if any such persons there be. The expiation is, by a world of purificatory rites, as tedious as expensive; and the tainted must segregate themselves from society till these rites are completed. But there are many sorts of contact between a Hindú and a non-Hindú, or outcast,

the sin of which is inexpiable, and the penalty, death. Such is intercourse between the sexes. But, by a primary law, the lives and members of *Brahmans*, and the lives of women, are sacred. Subject to the modification of this primary law, the utmost vengeance of the Code is reserved for this enormous sin. Men so offending are done to death. Women have their noses amputated, are rendered outcasts, if they have castes to lose, and are banished the kingdom.

A male outcast, who has intercourse, under any circumstances, with a pure Hindú female, and whether the female be the seducer or the seduced, be maid, wife, or widow, chaste, or a wanton, is adjudged to die; and the female is rendered noseless and an outcast; unless of the sacred order, when her nose is spared. If an outcast female pass herself off for one of a pure caste, and have commerce with a Hindú, she shall have her nose cut off; and he, if he confess his sin so soon as he discovers it, shall be restored to caste by penance and purification; but if he have connection knowingly with such a female, he shall be emasculated, and made an outcast. If a *Sudra*, or one of lower degree, but still within the pale, have commerce with a *Brahmaní*, he shall suffer death, unless the *Brahmaní* be a prostitute, and then he shall go free.

If any such Hindú have commerce with a *Khasni*, she having been a chaste widow up to that time,* he shall die. If she were a maid, and willing, he shall be heavily fined; if a wanton, he shall go free.

Hindús, however low, whose water will pass from hand to hand, are in no danger of life or limb from such commerce with any others than *Brahman* and *Khas* females. The latter are the *Kshatriyas* of Népál and wear the thread.

The following are the outcasts of Népál:—

NÉWÁRS.		PARBATTIAS.	
Kúllú.	*Chámákhalak*,	*Kámi.*	*Kingri*, or *Gáin.*
Pórya.	or *Phungin.*	*Damái.*	*Dhobi.*
Kassai.	*Dúng*, or *Dúni.*	*Sárki.*	*Músálmáns.*
Kúsúlliah.	*Sangat.*	*Bhár*, or *Bhánr.*	

* Chaste widows are supposed to be dead to the world, and devoted to religious exercises. Most of them burn with their husbands' corpses.

The above enumeration of outcast *Néwárs* may serve to introduce the remark, that the distinctions of caste, and their penal consequences, do not owe their existence in Népál to the *Górkhá* dynasty. It is true that before that event the majority of the Népálese proper were Budd'hists, having a law of their own; but so they are still. And when we advert to the facts, that the Budd'hism of the most distinguished tribe of them (the *Néwárs*) admitted the dogma of caste; that the sovereigns of Káthmándú and Pátan, though belonging to this tribe, were, for three or four ages before the conquest, with many of their subjects, Brahmanical Hindús; that the *Néwárs* and others, since the conquest, have all, as far as they were allowed, by availing themselves of the privileges of Hindúism, confessed its obligations to be binding on them; and that lastly, all tribes have now for seventy years acknowledged the paramountship, *quoad hoc*, of the Hindú law of the conquerors;—when I say, we recollect all these things, it will appear clear, I think, that we are not at liberty to question the equitableness of the application of this law to our followers in Népál, inasmuch as it is *the unquestioned law of the land.**

THE PROCEDURE.

The round of operations by which a judgment is reached in a Népálese court of justice is precisely such as a man of sense, at the head of his family, would apply to the investigation of a domestic offence; and the contracted range of all rights and wrongs in Népál renders this sort of procedure as feasible as it is expeditious and effectual. The pleasing spectacle is, however, defaced by the occasional rigour arising out of the maxim, that confession is indispensable; and by the intervention, in the absence of ordinary proof, of ordeals and decisory oaths.

An open court, *vivâ voce* examination in the presence of the judge, confrontation of the accuser, aid of counsel to the prisoner, and liberty to summon and have examined, under all usual sanctions, the witnesses for the defence—these are the ordinary

* The objection that may be raised to this law, in reference to our followers, on the ground of its inconsistency with the general principles of justice and humanity, is altogether another question, with which I presume not to meddle.

attributes of penal justice in Népál; and these would amply suffice for the prisoner's just protection, but for the vehemence with which confessions are sought, even when they are utterly superfluous, but for the fatal efficacy of those confessions and but for the intervention of ordeals. Ordeals, however, are more frequently asked for than commanded; and perhaps it is true that *volenti non fit injuria:* at all events, with reference to enforced confessions, it must not be supposed that the infamous ingenuity of Europe has any parallel in Népál, or that terrible engines are ever employed *in secret* to extort confessions. No! the only torture known to these tribunals is that of stern interrogation and brow-beating, and, more rarely, the application of the *kórá:** but all this is done in the face of day, under the judge's eye, and in an open tribunal; and though it may sometimes compromise innocence, its by far more common effect is to reach guilt. Besides, with respect to ourselves, the mere presence of the Residency *Munshí*, pending the trial of one of our followers, would prevent its use, or at least abuse, in regard to him. Or, ere submitting our followers to the Népálese tribunals, we might bargain successfully with the Darbár for the waiving of this coercion, as well as for the non-intervention of the proof ordeal, *unless with the consent of the party.* And if these two points were conceded to us, I should, I confess, have no more hesitation in committing one of our followers to a Népálese tribunal at Káthmándú, than I should in making him over to our own courts. I have mentioned, that the prisoner is allowed the assistance of counsel; but the expression must be understood to refer to the aid of friends and relatives, for there are no professional pleaders in Népál.

There are no common spies and informers attached to the courts of justice, nor any public prosecutors in the name of the State. The casual informer is made prosecutor, and he acts under a fearful responsibility; for if he fails to prove the guilt he charges, if he have no eye-witnesses to the principal fact besides himself, and the accused resolutely persevere in denial, a man of respectability must clear his character by demanding the ordeal, in which, if he be cast, the judgment upon him may be to suffer all, or the greater part of that evil which the law

* A kind of whip.

assigns to the offence he charged. At all events, deep disgrace, and fines more or less heavy, are his certain portion; and if it seem that he was actuated by malice, he shall surely suffer the doom he would have inflicted on the accused, be it greater or be it less. Informers and prosecutors, who have evidently no personal interest in the matter—those who are the retainers of the Darbár, or of the Minister—are expected and required, under a Hindú Government, to bring under judicial cognisance such breaches of the law of caste, and of the ritual purity of Hindúism, as they may chance to discover, and they are, of course, more considered than other informers; but they are liable, like ordinary informers, to the predicament of seeing their credit in society ruined, unless they dare the perilous event of purification by ordeal, with its contingency of ignominy and fines. Ordeals, however, whether for proof of innocence or for the clearing of the accuser, are rare, extraordinary, and seldom or never admitted where there is sufficient testimony of witnesses to be had. But whatever quantity of testimony be adduced, the confession of the accused must still be had. That confession is singly sufficient: without it, no quantity and quality of evidence will justify a condemnation; a strange prejudice, producing all that harshness towards the accused, which (omitting the folly of ordeals, and that the people seem to love more than their rulers) is the only grave defect in the criminal judicatures of the country.

In Népál, when the arraignment of the prisoner is completed, he is asked for his answer; and if he confess, his confession is recorded, he is requested to sign it, and judgment is at once passed. If he deny the fact, the assessors of the judge call upon the prosecutor to come forward and establish his charge. A very animated scene then ensues, in which the parties are suffered to try their strength against each other—to produce their witnesses and counter-witnesses, their presumptions and counter-presumptions. The result of this conflict is usually to make the guilt of the accused very evident; and he commonly confesses when the trial is closed. But if the accused persist in refusing confession, the assessors of the judge then go formally into the evidence, and urge upon the accused all the criminative circumstances, and all the weight of testimony. If

these be strong and decisive, and he still deny, he is brow-beaten, abused, whipped till he confess; or, if all will not do, he is remanded indefinitely to prison.*

If there be no eye-witness but the informer, or if the informer be not himself an eye-witness to the crime, and have no external witness to back his charge, he must, at all events, be furnished with strong presumptive proof (for woe betide him as he well knows, if he have neither!) wherewith to confirm his accusation. This proof is vehemently urged upon the prisoner by the court and by the accuser; and if the accused prevaricate or be sullen, he is scolded and whipped as before, till he confess. If he cannot be thus brought to confess, and there be but the accuser's assertion to the denial of the accused, the accuser, if he profess to have been an eye-witness, is now expected, for his own credit's sake, to make the appeal to the God of Truth, that is, to demand the ordeal. But if he be a man of eminent respectability, the court will probably, in such circumstances, instead of permitting the ordeal, administer to the accuser, being an eye-witness, a very solemn oath (witnesses and parties are not ordinarily sworn), under the sanction of which he will be required to depose afresh; and if his evidence be positive and circumstantial, and in harmony with the probabilities of the case, his single testimony will suffice for the conviction of the court, which will commit the prisoner indefinitely till he confess.

In matters of illicit intercourse between the sexes, where there are two parties under accusation, if the one confess and the other deny; and there is no positive testimony, and all the circumstantial evidence, however sternly urged upon the non-confessing party, fails to draw forth an acknowledgment, the court, as a last resort, may command that the issue be referred to ordeal of the parties; or that the contumacious party be remanded to prison for a time, whence he is again brought before the court, and urged, as before, to confess. And if this second attempt to obtain the *sine quâ non* of judgment be ineffectual, the gods must decide where men could not; ordeal must cut the Gordian knot.

* This, in capital cases, is exactly the mode of proceeding formerly observed in the Dutch courts, and probably in many others in Europe.—ED.

Upon the whole, though it be a strange spectacle, and a revolting, to see the judge urging the unhappy prisoner, with threats, abuse, and whipping, "to confess and be hanged;" yet it is clearly true, that whippings and hard words are light in the balance, compared with hanging.

A capital felon, therefore, will seldom indeed be thus driven to confess a crime he has not committed, when he is sustained and aided by all those favourable circumstances, in the constitution of the tribunal, and in the forms of procedure already enumerated. Nor should it be forgotten, that if much rigour is sometimes used to procure a confession, the confession itself is most usually superfluous to justice; and is sought rather to satisfy a scruple of conscience, than as a substitute for deficient evidence.

SECTION XIII.

ON THE NATIVE METHOD OF MAKING THE PAPER, DENOMINATED IN HINDUSTAN, NÉPÁLESE.

For the manufacture of the Népálese paper, the following implements are necessary, but a very rude construction of them suffices for the end in view:—

1st. A stone mortar, of shallow and wide cavity, or a large block of stone, slightly but smoothly excavated.

2d. A mallet or pestle of hard wood, such as oak, and size proportioned to the mortar, and to the quantity of boiled rind of the paper plant which it is desired to pound into pulp.

3d. A basket of close wicker work, to put the ashes in, and through which water will pass, only drop by drop.

4th. An earthen vessel or receiver, to receive the juice of the ashes after they have been watered.

5th. A metallic open-mouthed pot, to boil the rind of the plant in. It may be of iron, or copper, or brass, indifferently; an earthen one would hardly bear the requisite degree of fire.

6th. A sieve, the reticulation of the bottom of which is wide and open, so as to let all the pulp pass through it, save only the lumpy parts of it.

7th. A frame, with stout wooden sides, so that it will float well in water, and with a bottom of cloth, only so porous, that the meshes of it will stay all the pulp, even when dilated and diffused in water; but will let the water pass off, when the frame is raised out of the cistern; the operator must also have the command of a cistern of clear water, plenty of fire-wood, ashes of oak (though I fancy other ashes might answer as well), a fire-place, however rude, and lastly, a sufficient quantity of slips of the inner bark of the paper tree, such as is peeled off

the plant by the paper-makers, who commonly use the peelings when fresh from the plant; but that is not indispensable. With these "appliances and means to boot," suppose you take four seers of ashes of oak; put them into the basket above mentioned, place the earthen receiver or vessel beneath the basket, and then gradually pour five seers of clear water upon the ashes, and let the water drip slowly through the ashes, and fall into the receiver. This juice of ashes must be strong, or a dark-like red colour, and in quantity about two lbs., and if the first filtering yield not such a produce, pass the juice through the ashes a second time. Next, pour this extract of ashes into the metal pot, already described, and boil the extract; and so soon as it begins to boil, throw into it as many slips or peelings of the inner bark of the paper plant as you can easily grasp; each slip being about a cubit long, and an inch wide (in fact, the quantity of the slips of bark should be to the quantity of juice of ashes, such that the former shall float freely in the latter, and that the juice shall not be absorbed and evaporated with less than half an hour's boiling). Boil the slips for about half an hour, at the expiration of which time the juice will be nearly absorbed, and the slips quite soft. Then take the softened slips and put them into the stone mortar, and beat them with the oaken mallet, till they are reduced to a homogeneous or uniform pulp, like so much dough. Take this pulp, put it into any wide-mouthed vessel, add a little pure water to it, and churn it with a wooden instrument, like a chocolate mill, for ten minutes, or until it lose all stringiness, and will spread itself out, when shaken about under water. Next, take as much of this prepared pulp as will cover your paper frame (with a thicker or thinner coat, according to the strength of the paper you need), toss it into such a sieve as I have described, and lay the sieve upon the paper frame, and let both sieve and frame float in the cistern: agitate them, and the pulp will spread itself over the sieve; the grosser and knotty parts of the pulp will remain in the sieve, but all the rest of it will ooze through into the frame. Then put away the sieve, and taking the frame in your left hand, as it floats on the water, and pulp smartly with your right hand, and the pulp will readily diffuse itself in an uniform manner over the bottom of the frame. When it is thus pro-

perly diffused, raise the frame out of the water, easing off the water in such a manner, that the uniformity of the pulp spread shall continue after the frame is clear of the water and the paper is made.

To dry it, the frame is set endwise, near a large fire; and so soon as it is dry, the sheet is peeled off the bottom of the frame and folded up. When (which seldom is the case) it is deemed needful to smooth and polish the surface of the paper, the dry sheets are laid on wooden boards and rubbed, with the convex entire side of the conch-shell; or in case of the sheets of paper being large, with the flat surface of a large rubber of hard and smooth grained wood; no sort of size is ever needed or applied, to prevent the ink from running. It would, probably, surprise the paper-makers of England, to hear that the Kachar Bhoteahs can make up this paper into fine smooth sheets of several yards square. This paper may be purchased at Káthmándú in almost any quantity, at the price of 17 annas sicca per dharni of three seers; and the bricks of dried pulp may be had* at the same place, for from 8 to 10 annas sicca per dharni. Though called Népálese, the paper is not in fact made in Népál proper. It is manufactured exclusively in Cis-Himálayan Bhote, and by the race of Bhoteahs, denominated, in their own tongue, Rangbo, in contradistinction to the Trans-Himálayan Bhoteahs, whose vernacular name is Sokhpo.† The Rangbo or Cis-Himálayan Bhoteahs are divided into several tribes (such as Múrmi, Lapcha, &c., &c.), who do not generally intermarry, and who speak dialects of the Bhote or Tibet language so diverse, that ignorant as they are, several of them cannot effectually communicate together. They are all somewhat ruder, darker, and smaller than the Sokhpos or Trans-Himálayan Bhoteahs, by whom they are all alike held in slight esteem, though most evidently essentially one and the same with themselves in race and in language, as well as in religion.

* The pulp is dried and made up into the shape of bricks or tiles, for the convenience of transport. In this form it is admirably adapted for transmission to England. See the *P.S.*

† The Néwár language has terms precisely equivalent to these. The Rangbo being called in Néwárí, Paloo Sen; and the Sokhpo here spoken of is not really a different being from the Soghpoun nomade, the name ordinarily applied in Bhote to the Mongols. But this word has, at least, a different sense in the mouths of the Tibetans, towards this frontier, on both sides of the snows.

To return to our paper-making,—most of the Cis-Himálayan Bhoteahs, east of the Kali river, make the Népálese paper; but the greatest part of it is manufactured in the tract above Népál proper, and the best market for it is afforded by the Népálese people; hence probably it derived its name: a great quantity is annually made and exported southwards, to Népál and Hindustan, and northwards, to Sokya-Gumba, Digarchi, and other places in Tramontane Bhote. The manufactories are mere sheds, established in the midst of the immense forest of Cis-Himálayan Bhote, which affords to the paper-makers an inexhaustible supply, on the very spot, of the firewood and ashes, which they consume so largely; abundance of clear water (another requisite) is likewise procurable everywhere in the same region. I cannot learn by whom or when the valuable properties of the paper plant were discovered; but the Népálese say that any of their books now existent, which is made of Palmira leaves, may be safely pronounced, on that account, to be 500 years old: whence we may, perhaps, infer that the paper manufacture was founded about that time. I conjecture that the art of paper-making was got by the Cis-Himálayan Bhoteahs, via Lhassa, from China; a paper of the very same sort being manufactured at Lhassa; and most of the useful arts of these regions having flowed upon them, through Tibet, from China; and not from Hindústan.

Népál Residency, November 1831.

P.S.—Dr. Wallich having fully described the paper plant, it would be superfluous to say a word about it. The raw produce or pulp (beat up into bricks) has been sent to England, and declared by the ablest persons to be of unrivalled excellence, as a material for the manufacture of that sort of paper upon which proof engravings are taken off. The manufactured produce of Népál is, for office records, incomparably better than any Indian paper, being as strong and durable as leather almost, and quite smooth enough to write on. It has been adopted in one or two offices in the plains, and ought to be generally substituted for the flimsy friable material to which we commit all our records.

A. CAMPBELL.

SECTION XIV.

PRE-EMINENCE OF THE VERNACULARS; OR, THE ANGLICISTS ANSWERED:

BEING FOUR LETTERS ON THE EDUCATION OF THE PEOPLE OF INDIA.*

PREFACE.

THREE of the four following letters were first published several years back, and lest it should be supposed that the course of time has antiquated their reasonings, I beg leave to suggest that arguments so general are not so rapidly affected by time, and that in point of fact the Macaulayism of one cycle is but the Trevelyanism †

* "In Alsace and Lorraine the peasantry after two centuries of subjection to France do not know one word of French. In Wales, in Sleswic, and everywhere in Austria and Russia, we see all efforts to force the ruling language on a subject race resented, even when light, civilisation, and enjoyment of equal rights follow in the train of this denationalising schoolmaster."—*Times*, April 25, 1872.

"There are in almost every department vast hoards of truth which do not exist in an available form, and which, however necessary for us, form no part of our ordinary teaching. When our school-books have been rewritten, and when the proved results of research have been incorporated with them, the benefit will be in every way immense."—Article on Mr. Gladstone's Address to the King's College Students, *Times*, July 10, 1876.

"Hitherto the English people have begun at the wrong end, and have been educating downwards instead of upwards. What is of real importance is to teach the poor man to do the best for himself, to enlighten the ignorance, and to dissipate the prejudices which make his life so much harder than it need be. We have confidence in English good sense, and expect the *training-school* to do much good." —*Times*, May 25, 1874.

† These words are used with all honour and respect as the readiest means of speaking of well-known *acta et scripta* of well-known men, of whom the genius of the one and the benevolence of the other command my unfeigned homage. Mr. Macaulay's Minute is but a second edition of Mr. Trevelyan's Treatise.

of another, and that the recent practical measures of Lord Hardinge are but the effectuation of the doctrines contended against in these letters. I admit the sagacity and decision with which Lord Hardinge has carried out the most accredited educational maxims of his predecessors; I admit the possibility of these measures of our revered Governor-General supplying the public service with a superior class of native functionaries, though I confess the apprehension that this new class of functionaries may prove competent in *our* special acquirements only by losing all competency in *their own!* But I contend that anything worthy the name of national education, as being addressed to remedy the intellectual and moral wants of the mass of the people, is not comprised in these measures which address themselves only or chiefly to the wants of the public service; and I would add with submission that the principles and reasonings upon which rest that avowed preference for English, which dates its present ascendancy from the days of Lord Bentinck and Mr. Macaulay, are very far inferior in philosophic comprehensiveness, as well as in benevolence and expediency, to the principles and reasonings whence were deduced, according to the wants of that age, the educational maxims of a Hastings (Warren) and a Wellesley. I confess an unlimited preference for the latter, not only because it is infinitely more practicable to make Europeans familiar with the words and things of India, than to make Indians familiar with the words and things of Europe, but also because the former course tends perpetually to rebuke and subdue, the latter course to excuse and foster, those peccant idiosyncrasies of the haughty island race to whom God has committed this land, which half neutralise the blessings derived from the no less characteristic integrity and energy of that race. The vivifying spirit of our sound knowledge, which it is so desirable to diffuse throughout India, is no way inseparably connected with its lingual vehicle; and, whilst every step we make in the grand project of idigenating that knowledge in India by means of vernacularisation will prove a bond of blessed union between ourselves and the mass of our subjects, and a safe, a sure, and an universally operative agent of the desiderated change in them, the contrary project of Anglicisation will help to widen the existing lamentable gulf that divides us from the mass of the people, and put into the hands of the few among themselves an exclusive and dangerous power, quite similar in essential character to that power which for ages past the scribes and priests of the East have wielded, to the deplorable detriment

of the spiritual and temporal welfare of their fellows, and therefore possibly destined only to perpetuate in a new phase the ancient curse of this land, or exclusive learning! Sanskrit, Arabic, Persian, have proved the curse of this land, not so much by reason of the false doctrines they have inculcated as by reason of the administrative mystery they have created and upheld; and I hold it to surpass the wit of man to demonstrate that that terrible mystery will not be perpetuated by English; for, long ages must elapse before public institutions and public opinion become omnipotent in the interior of this land, and in the meanwhile, all those who possess the exclusive knowledge will find but too ample a field for the exercise of its *power* in prosecution of the selfish ends of ambition and avarice, and in despite of our best efforts at prevention. But, without saying more in repetition of the letters themselves upon the dangers incident to an English organ of knowledge, I may glance at the objection founded upon its difficulty of acquisition and consequent unsuitableness to the wants and necessities of the many. But this topic also having been amply treated in the letters, I notice it here only to call attention to the essential fact that in the practical proposition I have deduced from my general reasonings, there is *nothing whatever savouring of preference for one over another organ* of instruction. The learned languages of the East and of the West, English and the vernaculars of India, all meet with equal favour in the proposed Normal College; and, whilst it is assumed that the vast project of Europeanising the Indian mind calls for express specific measures subsidiary to education properly so called, it is endeavoured so to shape those measures as to reconcile the *adequate* cultivation of *difficult* knowledge by the few with an *incessant supply* of *improved means* of *easy knowledge* for the many. It seems to me that English, not less than Sanskrit or Arabic, is far too difficult for the many; that such studies to produce the expected fruit must form the life-long labour of an appropriate body, the pioneers of a new literature; and that if this corps be adequately equipped and provided for, and dedicated to the specific functions of translating and of teaching, in the manner expressed in my fourth letter, the interests of deep learning will be duly attended to without any risk of its running into monastic dreaminess or subtilty, and at the same time that the two great wants of ordinary education, or good teachers and good books, will be systematically provided for. Thus the advocate for English and the advocate for the learned orient tongues, and the advocate for

the vernaculars, may all find equal motive and inducement to uphold the proposition of a Normal College; and those who consider the extent of the work to be done in the way of education with the inadequacy of all our means and appliances, will do well to reflect that every ripe scholar trained in this college will not be a mere well-taught individual, at liberty so soon as he is free of his educational course to forget or misapply those gifts which the public has bestowed upon him for better ends, but a teacher, and a permanent teacher or translator, and consequently one to whom thousands may, and hundreds must, be indebted for the elements of learning at least. Mark, then, the diffusable energy, the expansive force of the institution suggested, and support it with active exertion if you deem it worthy of support.

NÉPÁL, 1843.

Since the following letters were written vernacular and normal teaching have made much way in public estimation. But still, even in England, if we may credit frequent leaders in the "Times," and how much more in India! there has been a fearful waste of time and money with very inadequate results, owing to the want of fitting books and teachers. Such consequences of the want of system in providing these indispensable pre-requisites were long ago foreseen in India by Dr. Ballantyne, and if we may trust the language of the recent native petition to the Governor-General of India, to say nothing of further evidence of the same fact, there is an abiding sense among the people of India of the necessity of adopting those means for supplying adequately, and systematically, and enduringly, good books and good teachers, which the following letters point out. This, perhaps, may excuse the reproduction of the letters here.

LONDON, *Feb.* 1876.

"For as for that our tongue is called barbarouse, is but a fantasye; for so is, as every learned man knoweth, every strange language to other: and if they would call it barren of wordes, there is no doubt but it is plenteouse enough to express our myndes in any things whereof one man hath used to speke with another."—SIR T. MORE.

LETTER I.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "FRIEND OF INDIA."

SIR,—In the question now under discussion, whether it is better to convey European knowledge to the natives, indirectly, through the medium of their own languages and literature, or directly, through that of ours—I observe with some surprise that you seem to prefer the latter alternative.* You have, too, with the majority of the Anglomaniasts, whilst disclaiming all express purpose of annihilating the indigenous literature, advocated the justice as well as expediency of the so-called negative course of withdrawing all public patronage from it.* But, sir, have you considered the paramount influence of Government acts in the East, and the consequent imperative effect of even those which *profess* to be merely negative? Have you considered the extent to which the spread of the British rule from province to province, and kingdom to kingdom, has had the effect of closing the native seminaries throughout India, either by the political extinction of their patrons, or by the absorption of their resources? Have you considered the people's title to be consulted on a question of this sort? or do you doubt that if their sentiments *were* deferred to they would claim from our Government that protection of their own literature which is conceded to it by every native state? Thank God, I am no lawyer; but to my plain understanding, the British Legislature, when it decreed a small pittance for the "revival of native learning," had in view the making of some small atonement for that fiscal rapacity which had merged in the ocean of revenue so many streamlets of national education!

* So far as the worthy editors in question are concerned, this is a mistake which I joyfully retract.

Vested rights are the cry of the West. Let the Anglomaniasts inquire how many of these, appropriated to native instruction, have been violated directly by our indiscriminating resumptions, or indirectly by our levelling system of rule, and they will be better prepared to judge of the justice of Lord William Bentinck's sudden refusal of the Parliamentary dole! The Government's *discretion* in India is, like the Parliamentary omnipotence in England, sufficient for all things but the changing of wrong into right; and whether I advert to the absorption of native seminaries by the progress of our sway, to the enormous portion of the annual produce of industry which we sweep into the Exchequer, or to our obligation to consult the sentiments of the people (let them square with our own *or not*) upon a question of this sort, I must equally deny the title of the Governor-General in Council, to withhold public patronage from the indigenous literature of our subjects. ...This is my view of the question, as one of right; but as I have no wish to push the plea of *merum jus* on behalf of the people, to the extent of injuring them by compliance with their wishes, I shall proceed to assign some reasons for the opinion I entertain, that their essential welfare, not less than their rights, may be urged against the scheme implied by Lord William Bentinck's decretum. It may be granted at once, as a general proposition, that that sound knowledge, to diffuse which throughout India is our purpose, is to be found in the European languages, and not in those of the East. What we want is the best instrument for the free and equal diffusion of that knowledge. One party contends that English is the desideratum, the other party that the vernacular languages are. It is *assumed* by the former that the English language is a perfect and singly sufficient organ, whilst the native languages are equally objectionable from their plurality and their intrinsic feebleness. These assumptions appear to me somewhat hasty and unfounded. A large portion of the sound knowledge of Europe is *not* to be found in the English language, but must be sought in those of France and Germany—to go no further. Does not every educated Englishman daily resort to the languages of France and Germany for those useful and important ideas which are strangers to his own tongue; and must not, therefore, the

assumption that English is coequal with sound knowledge be received with great reserve? Certainly it must; and without pushing the argument beyond due limits, it will be found to be worth something, when placed fairly in the scales against that plurality which is *so extravagantly* objected to the colloquial media of India, for Bengalee is the speech of at least thirty-seven millions of people, and Hindee is everywhere current from the northern frontiers of Bengal to the Indus and the Himalaya, not to mention the ubiquitarian Hindoostanee! This surely is a range of language enough to satisfy the most ardent of reasonable reformers *—is a range rather above than below the average of Europe. With like cautious circumspection let us now endeavour to ascertain the real extent of that intrinsic force, as an 'instrument for the communication of thought, which is ascribed to English by those who insist so much upon the feebleness of the native languages.

Truth and precision require, that, in making this estimate of English, we should exclude the consideration of the unmixed sciences, as well as of most of the applied ones which are strictly physical. Those sciences have a language of their own, which is admitted on all hands to be highly efficient, and which is disconnected with all ordinary colloquial media, as well as with the passions and prejudices—the ordinary habits and sentiments, of mankind. These circumstances, coupled with the fact that in reference to the sciences in question the native mind is almost a carte blanche, induce me to join those who propose, as the general rule, to convey our knowledge of them to the people of India *directly:* and that in all senses of directness, lingual as well as others.† But the case is far otherwise with the moral sciences: for, blended as these branches of knowledge are, from their very nature, with the daily pursuits and thoughts, and quickly responsive as they are to the strongest prejudices and passions, of mankind; appealing, too, as they do, for their ultimate evidence, to universal consciousness, or to almost universal experience, powerful intrinsical

* See note at the end of these papers.

† The exception of astronomy rests, and rests well, on the conversancy of the people with *this* branch of physical science and on their attachment to their own achievements in it. We should avail ourselves of that attachment *as far as possible.*

reasons may come in aid of the lingual considerations I am about to show, against the direct communication of our superior lights to the Indians. To those intrinsical reasons I propose to revert in the sequel,* and meanwhile proceed to observe, that, of the lingual considerations, the first I shall note amounts to a demur to the asserted perfectness of our language; and I would request the particular attention of those who lay such undue stress upon the imperfection of the vernacular tongues of India, to the following quotations from two of the most enlightened of English philosophers on the subject.

"The inadequacy of the words of our ordinary language for the communication, as well as for the discovery of truth, is a frequent complaint of which the justice will be felt by all who consider the state to which some of the most important arts would be reduced, if the coarse tools of the common labourer were the only instruments available in the most delicate operations of manual expertness. The watchmaker, the optician, and the surgeon are provided with instruments which are fitted by careful ingenuity to second their skill: the philosopher alone is doomed to use the rudest tools for the most refined purposes. He must reason in words of which the looseness and vagueness are almost as remote from the extreme exactness and precision required, not only in the conveyance, but in the search of truth, as the hammer and axe would be unfit for the finest exertions of skilful handiwork. He may be compared with an arithmetician compelled to employ numerals not only cumbrous but used so irregularly to denote different quantities, that they not only deceive others, but himself." Again, "In a mathematical definition, although the words in which it is expressed may vary, the meaning which it is intended to convey is always the same. The case is not the same with the definitions of the less strict sciences. In those of morals and politics it is most difficult to use terms which may not be understood differently by different persons. The terms virtue, morality, equity, charity, are in every day use: yet it is by no means agreed what are the particular acts which ought to be classed under these different heads.

* See Letter No. II. on the use that may, and should, be made of the Indian *literature* as a means of diffusing our sounder knowledge. The present letter is devoted to the consideration of *languages*.

The terms liberty, constitutional liberty, civil liberty, political liberty, political economy, are frequently understood in a different sense by different persons. The sense of the words wealth, capital, productive labour, value, labour, profits, demand, has been lately called in question, though I think without sufficient reason. As a remedy for these difficulties it has been proposed that a new and more perfect nomenclature should be introduced. But in such sciences as morals, politics, and political economy, it is impossible to suppose that a new nomenclature would be submitted to, or, if it were, that it would render the same service to these sciences as the nomenclatures of Linnæus, Lavoisier, and Cuvier, did to the sciences to which they were respectively applied."

These quotations are from works which were among the last and maturest labours of a Mackintosh and a Malthus; and though their tenor be not entirely correspondent, I apprehend that Malthus's not less than Mackintosh's sentiments demonstrate the inaccuracy and scarcity of our specific terms, or, in other words, the poverty of our language; whilst those of the former have other bearings upon this question, which will be recurred to in the sequel. Those who are disposed to object to mere authority, however high, are requested to advert to the prominent facts, that terminology occupies a *large portion of the latest* and *ablest* works on the theory of Government, on jurisprudence, on political economy, on mental and on moral philosophy—in a word, on every branch of knowledge beyond the limits of the exact sciences; and that the new vocables and definitions of one philosopher *are continually rejected by another.* And such inquirers will find that they can only excuse our language (if determined so to do), at the expense of our ideas or knowledge. If, then, we begin by a fair estimate of the value of our own language as an instrument of thought; and forbear, in proceeding to compare it with the vernacular tongues of India, from undue depreciation of *them*, I conceive that as much exaggeration will be found to have prevailed relative to the poverty of the latter, as to their multiplicity. When we speak of the multitude of Indian languages we are sadly apt to forget the extent of its territory and population; nor less so, the important distinction between the merely dialectial, and the

essential, differences of language. When, again, we speak of the poverty of those languages, as though they neither were, nor could be easily made, competent vehicles of European knowledge, we assume with equal rashness the power of our own speech, and the powerlessness of those of India—alike inattentive to facts directly bearing upon the matter, and to those general considerations which, unless I am much mistaken, may be made to demonstrate the *necessary* capacity of the Indian spoken languages to bear any weight of knowledge coming home to the *business and bosoms of mankind* that we can lay on them. I call upon you, sir, and upon your fraternity (which is best able to do so), to explain distinctly and to unfold my general assertions, that Bengalee, the language of thirty-seven millions, has good dictionaries and grammars, as well as works which, quoad language, exhibit a respectable share of precision and compass; whilst its connection with Sanskrit, and the peculiar genius of the latter, afford extraordinary means of enrichment by new terms competent to express any imaginable modification of thought. I call upon you, sir, to explain and unfold in detail my further assertions, that throughout the Bengal Presidency wherever Bengalee is not spoken, Hindee is the basis of that almost single vernacular language which is common to all Hindoos and all rural Moslems; that Hindee possesses books which in point of language exhibit very considerable actual and latent power; that the latter may be educed and extended to any requisite degree through the connection of Hindee with Sanskrit; and that, lastly, scarcely any part of the population of our vast presidency, which uses *not* Bengalee or Hindee, has other language than Hindoostanee—a language rich in grammars, dictionaries, and written works; and from its flexible genius capable of amalgamating with its existing wealth any and every variety of new terms and vocables which Sanskrit and Arabic can furnish from their inexhaustible fountains.

Let us now, for a moment, advert to those more general considerations above glanced at. That language is an express image of thought is an old and exploded error.* Words do *not* expressly embody ideas—the function of language being limited to putting and keeping two minds in the same train

* Stewart's Phil. Essays, pp. 201-211.

of thought. If the precision of mathematical expression seem to contradict this important truth, the semblance is nothing more than a real independence upon language, properly so called. It is, further, possibly the fact that philosophy, from its very nature, is incapable of that conciseness which belongs to the exact sciences; and, at all events, it cannot be denied that it is very far indeed from now possessing such conciseness in Europe, whether from comparative defect of knowledge on our part, or from more intrinsical peculiarities. Indeed, the signal failure of those great men who have again and again attempted to subject moral discussions to mathematical restraints would seem to prove that *both* the above conjectures are sound.

Hence, not less than because of the necessary connection of philosophy with our ordinary thoughts and feelings, the difficulty—perhaps impossibility—of creating such a language as our philosophers deplore the want of. Whether Mackintosh's anticipation that some future Bacon will raise our philosophical language to the level of our scientific * be better grounded than Malthus's idea of the vanity of such a hope, I shall not presume further to indicate. But I assert without fear of contradiction, that the *existing extreme inaccuracy* of all European languages, as instruments of thought, in reference to the principles of every department of that portion of human lore coming home to the business and bosoms of mankind at large, is *notorious and undenied;* and that it is precisely *in this view* that our own language, no way distinguished from the rest, has nevertheless been assumed to possess such wonderful efficiency! So far, however, is it from the truth that it *does* possess such efficiency that the fact is, it is solely by means of *ample definition, of much circumlocution*, that the English language at present represents the English knowledge on these subjects.

And, whoever will advert to the nature and extent of this circuitous communication of ideas in our tongue (whether its

* "A system of names may be *imagined*, indicating the objects of knowledge, and showing the relation of the parts to each other—an order and a language somewhat resembling those by which the objects of Botany and Chemistry have, in the 18th century, been denoted. But so great an undertaking must be reserved for a second Bacon and a future generation."—Mackintosh's Eth. Phi. pp. 5, 6.

cause be the nature of language and the dependence of philosophy upon it, or, the nature of philosophy, or, our imperfect knowledge of the latter), can have no further room to doubt that the same ideas may be conveyed to Indian minds, in their own languages, *without much further* circumlocution.

To put two minds in the same train of thought is all that it is *ever* given to language to accomplish: to effect this by the cumbrous expedient of definitions, amounting almost to dissertation upon the most ordinary and necessary vocables, is all that it has *yet* been given to *philosophic** language to achieve *in Europe.* Such being the case, is it possible to advert to that universal consciousness, or almost universal experience, which form the basis and evidence of all the truths of philosophy,* in connection with the long-sustained and literary character of Indian civilisation, without reaching the conviction that the alleged incapacity of the Indian vernacular languages *cannot* relate to the *ordinary* topics and functions of language, but must respect that peculiar function and those special topics in reference to which the feebleness of our own language is confessed; or, that the *cure* of this particular defect of the oriental vernaculars need excite the despair of those only who are hopeless about its cure in reference to their own?

We must exaggerate the perfection of our own language as much as we do the imperfection of those of India—we must further shut our eyes to the essential nature and function of speech, to the connection of philosophy with life, and to the high date of Indian civilisation, before we can admit the assertion that the Indian languages neither are, nor can readily be made, competent to express our knowledge. Their present competency is great, in most ordinary views; and if a very moderate degree of public patronage continue to be bestowed on the learned languages whence they are derived, the efficient lexicographical and grammatical labours of the past upon the vulgar tongues may be completed so as, without extraordinary pains, delay, or expense, to render the latter as much more

* It may be as well, once for all, to say that by this term I mean to express *all* knowledge beyond the limits of mathematics and strict physics. The latter I indicate by the word science.

effective as can be required, or can be expected by those who either understand the real state of the English language at present, or the nature of language in general.

Any number of new terms, as clear to the mind and as little startling to the ear, as the oldest words in the languages, may be introduced into Hindee and Bengalee from Sanskrit, owing to the peculiar genius of the latter,* with *much more* facility than we can introduce new terms into English: nor does the task of introducing such new terms into the Indian vernaculars imply or exact more than the most ordinary skill or labour on the part of the conductors of education, *so long* as they *disconnect* not *themselves wholly from Indian literature.* With such views of the nature of language in general, and of the existing comparative value of the languages of Europe and of India, I foresee that I may be set down for a lingual sceptic, or, may be, perchance, enlisted under the banners of that party which, without substituting English for the living tongues of India, would improve the latter by *directly grafting English terms upon them,* in preference to resorting to Sanskrit and Arabic. So far, however, from the truth is it, that my views of the general question are sceptical, that I am thoroughly convinced there *is* such a thing as idiosyncracy and genius in every cognate group of languages, and that this genius is of so *rigid and commanding a nature* that it is indispensably necessary humbly to bow to it, in all schemes for the improvement of any given tongue: for, if not, how happened it that those wonderful men who flourished in England between the Reformation and the Revolution, placed as they were close to the sources of our language, and endowed as they were with the highest faculties, yet failed utterly in becoming models of style? and how happened it that the wits of Queen Anne, much remoter as they were placed from the sources of our language, and incomparably inferior as were their mental powers, became so at once and for ever? The sole reason is that the former opposed, and the latter yielded to, the genius of our tongue, both in their terms and in their sentences.

* I borrow this idea, in his words, from Mackintosh, who applies it to German. Every scholar knows, and knows why, it is singularly applicable to the Indian Prakrits, through Sanskrit.

If, again, it be not necessary to consult idiomatic law, the usage of society, and vernacular euphony, whence arises a great part of that difficulty in respect to the introduction of a more copious and precise phraseology into English, which as we have seen, Malthus deemed it impossible to conquer; and Mackintosh but faintly hoped some future Bacon might subdue? And how, yet again, are we to account for the steady and successful resistance which our language has made, for the last fifty years, against incorporation with either the peculiar nomenclature of science, or that of fashion? In that period, to go no further, a thousand modish ephemeral phrases have striven in vain to mix themselves with the great stream of our language; nor has the unusual popularity of the physical sciences, in the same era, enabled them, dignified and valuable as they are, to wed their phraseology to our common speech?

Facts like the above will satisfy all those who are capable of appreciating them, that the people of India would never endure such an olla podrida as Anglo-Hindee or Anglo-Hindoosthanee; and that if the vernacular languages of this country are to be preserved, their *improvement*, so far as it is requisite to convey European ideas, must be effected in the manner *exacted by the genius of these languages.*

The vague declamation, with which we are overwhelmed upon the subject of the feebleness and inefficiency of the native languages, is partly caused by the unfairness of that controversial spirit, which has laid hold of this question of the best vehicle for communicating our knowledge to India, and partly also by the difficulty of procuring and applying a measure of the value of languages. Standard works, dictionaries and grammars, certainly furnish a relative measure; yet is it one which few persons *can*, and many fewer *will*, apply, even when there is *room to apply it.* If, however, we look back to the state of our own language three centuries ago, nobody, I presume, will be found hardy enough to assert its superiority, as an organ for the communication of knowledge, to the Bengalee, Hindee, or Hindoostanee of the present day. Now should we be able to adduce express evidence, that the most competent of judges deemed the English of 1530 entirely capable of performing that very function which the Indian vernaculars of 1835 are alleged

to be incapable of performing, such an evidence, it might be hoped, would convince many who cannot, or will not, examine the question more deeply. It is thus then that Sir Thomas More expresses himself in 1530 :—"For as for that our tongue is called barbarouse, is but a fantasye, for so is, as every learned man knoweth, every strange language to other: And if they would call it barren of wordes, there is no doubt but it is plenteouse enough to express our myndes in any thinge wherefore one man hath used to speke with another." May we not, after this, say, for that the Indian vernaculars are called barbarouse and barren of wordes, it is but a fantasye? No one, at least, can pretend to assert that the English language of 1530 had, or that the vernaculars of India at present, have not, dictionaries and grammars; and he must be lost to all sense of impartiality who would maintain that the English chronicles and romances of the Middle Ages are superior in matter or style to such works as are now extant in Bengalee, Hindee and Hindoostanee. And as for capacity of rapid and facile *improvement*, who shall venture to deny it to the Indian vernaculars who considers with what a giant's pace his own tongue advanced to almost all the power it *yet possesses*, when the impulse to improvement had once been given?

The English works of the age *immediately* following that of Sir T. More yet excite our wonder, and despair of rivalling their characteristic excellences. No one has confessed this more freely than that very writer, himself a master of our language (Mackintosh), whose complaints of its poverty and inefficiency, in *other respects*, were exhibited in the preceding part of this letter. Should not contrasted facts such as these warn us to forbear from dogmatic opinions upon the prospective or latent power of foreign languages? Should they not teach us to examine the question modestly and carefully? Let us awake the popular mind in India, and assuredly *the natives*, with our aid and example, will soon demonstrate that their languages possess capabilities equal to any demand. The history, not only of our own language, but of every vulgar tongue in Europe, justifies the presumption that, so soon as effort is directed towards their improvement, the Indian vernaculars will almost immediately and spontaneously put forth the ordinary strength of language;

and as for what may be called its extraordinary strength, I think I have shown that our own tongue has *not yet* put it forth. Our inability to express without extreme periphrasis the recently-elaborated truths of all departments of the philosophy of life is confessed, as we have seen, by the greatest men of the age. In respect to the *remedy* of this peculiar defect of all known languages, so far as it is remediable, the Hindoos will enjoy, in the genius of the Sanskrit, and in their freedom from our conventional embarrassments, a liberty denied to us; and they will in the meanwhile probably be able to express, as we shall for them, all this class of ideas without more circumlocution than we are now compelled by our poverty of direct terms to use in English.

But it may be urged that Sir T. More's assertion in 1530, relative to the then power of our language, was confined to its capacity for colloquial purposes, and did not contemplate its permanent prospective use as an instrument of thought and medium for the communication of knowledge. No, indeed! Let us then advert to the circumstances under which these remarkable words of More were uttered, and see how the case stands.

The proposition of that age in England was the general diffusion of sound knowledge. The existing stock of such knowledge possessed by the few, and which it was proposed to make the heritage of the many, was derived from without. The language of that without (Latin or Greek, or both, it matters not to the argument) was a highly-wrought instrument of thought, whilst the English vernacular was a comparatively rude one. Hence arose the question, whether the end to be accomplished (that is, the general diffusion of sound knowledge) might be more readily and happily attained by setting aside the homely Saxon, and diffusing the new ideas *directly* through their appropriate tongue (a ready-made and powerful instrument), *or*, by adherence to, and improvement of, the unfashioned vernacular. One party took the former side of the question; Sir T. More and his friends, the latter; and it was with express reference to *this state of things* that Sir T. More expressed himself in the words I have quoted. Now I apprehend, that the question at issue between the Oriental and Occidental parties in India at this moment, is precisely that which was proposed to the regenerators

of England in 1530. And whilst I do but glance at the speedy and triumphant confirmation of More's views, I proceed to insist that unless the Occidentalists can show, either that the feebleness and plurality of the Indian vernaculars are greater than those of the English vernaculars of three centuries back, or that the power of our present English exceeds the force, as an instrument of thought, of Greek and Latin, they will be required to demonstrate one or other of these further points, viz., that our means of spreading English in India are superior to those possessed by the regenerators of England for the diffusion of Greek and Latin, or, that the *more general* grounds upon which More so wisely rested his main defence of the vernaculars, are unsound or inapplicable.

More did not deny that the English of his day was an inaccurate organ for the communication of knowledge, as compared with Greek and Latin. He only denied that it was anything like *so much so* as was asserted. Such (mutatis mutandis) is the argument of the Oriental party to the present debate. More asserted that whatever present obstacles to the general diffusion of knowledge might occur from the use of an *imperfect* instrument, much greater present obstacles must arise from the resort to an *unknown* one. More further asserted that whatever cost and trouble might be requisite for making English prospectively an *adequate* organ of thought, a hundred-fold greater cost and trouble would be required to change the national organ. With More the Orientalists make the like assertions, in reference to the Indian tongues and to the substitution of English. The first of the assertions demonstrates itself, and is not denied by the Occidentalists, however much they overlook its practical importance. Pass we then on to the second—Is it easier to improve the Indian vernaculars, or to substitute English for them? Towards the decision of this question we possess advantages denied to More. To us the wonderfully rapid and facile improvement of the vernaculars of Europe, so soon as effort was directed that way, is matter of historic fact.

To us too the invincible tenacity of the habit of language is not less matter of historic fact.* Those only who shall venture to deny the merit of our *earliest* writers, after the revival of let-

* See "Times" of April 25, 1872, and of May 25, 1874. Note of 1876.

ters, can dispute the first position, or the *facility of improvement.* Those only who shall venture to deny that the immutability of language has served, by its clear and broad light, to guide us to the determination of many most important points relative to the affiliation and connection of the various families of the human race—points which not even the strong impress of distinctive physical conformation could help us to decide—can challenge the second position, or the *difficulty of change.* Let us attend for a moment to the nature of this evidence demonstrating the truth of the latter position. In the last age it was thought, that those striking differences of physiognomy, which contradistinguish and designate the varieties of our species, are *less* changeable than differences of language, how permanent soever the latter were *admitted to be.* The further and completer researches of the present age have proved the contrary. In the almost Georgian features of the modern descendants of the western Turks, we look in vain for the physical signs of their origin; whilst we find that origin still distinctly imprinted on their speech. Here is a familiar instance: others may be found in the works of those still living authors, who, from a survey of the whole old world, have deduced the general and uncontested inference, that of all the mutable characteristics of mankind *national language is the most obstinately adhesive!*

Sir T. More was reduced to argue the comparative feasibility of change and of improvement upon far less strong data than the course of events and knowledge has enabled us now to rest it on; and looking at this point from the vantage ground of present experience, I maintain, that, quoad feasibility, an incalculable preponderance of reason belongs to the argument of the Orientalists, who hold that, whatever the difficulty of improving the popular languages, the change of them—in other words the conquest of the *most tenacious of habits* amongst that people which, of all upon the face of the Earth, *is most wedded to habit* —is a hundred times more difficult.

Lest I should swell my letter to inconvenient bounds I forbear to press a detailed comparison of those means of influencing the popular mind to the adoption of a new speech, which were possessed by the antivernacular party in England in 1530, and which are now at the disposal of the same party in India. Upon

this point, I assume, as I am well entitled to do, that the former had preponderant advantages in their compatriotism with the objects of the proposed experiment, which the latter are wholly devoid of. If, then, the antivernacular party in England failed to answer the following cardinal objection to their scheme, and having failed, lost their cause, I may still hope that the ultimate defeat of the antivernacular party in India is certain; since the objection, great and vital in itself, applies with double force, here and now.

Both parties in England admitted that the end in view was the making of knowledge the portion of the *many:* but unless the instrument of its communication were generally acquired, the thing communicated must be perpetually restricted to the few. Now, Sir T. More contended, that the inspiring of a general love of knowledge, in itself most difficult, would be rendered hopeless, if the aditus of the temple were rendered so steep and thorny as the necessary acquisition of a difficult foreign language must make it; and that, therefore, in all human probability, the *practical consequence* of Greek or Latin becoming the sole organ for the communication of truth would be, the defeat of the end by the means; and that, *not* simply with the loss of the *benefit* sought, *but* with the *entailing* in *perpetuity* on *England* those *worst* of *evils resulting from monopolised* and misapplied *learning.* Such a consequence flowed directly and necessarily from the partial prevalence of a foreign medium—and no general prevalence could reasonably be anticipated. But even that anticipation could not be entertained unaccompanied by apprehensions lest such a slavish imitation of foreign models should extinguish freedom of thought, and all the generous impulses bound up with the speech of our fatherland. The success, therefore, as well as the failure of the antivernacular organ, was liable to induce mischiefs for which knowledge itself could poorly compensate; and as the vernacular organ was free from such damning liabilities, the latter was preferred upon this preponderant ground of preference! In reference to the question as it occurred in England in the beginning of the 16th century, no scheme so extravagant as the change of the national language was openly or, at all, willingly, broached by the antivernacular party: and it was only More's far-reaching sagacity which, by

demonstrating this to be a pre-requisite to the success of the antivernacular plan (if, as was pretended, the *general spread* of knowledge were the object), brought the question to that issue, *there.* It was reserved for our Indian regenerators to cope directly with such a difficulty—to make nothing of it—to shut their eyes to the consequences of failure: and that under circumstances multiplying infinitessimally the chances of failure, and peculiarly aggravative of its consequences!

Does any one mean to deny, that the researches of the last and present age have demonstrated the extraordinary tenacity of the habit of language?* Does any one mean to deny the peculiar subserviency of the people of India to the dominion of habit? And if not, then I would further ask, whether, few as we are in India, and limited as are the pecuniary means at our disposal to this end, our absolute incommunity of sentiment with the people does not strip of all the semblance of probability a successful attempt by us to vanquish the most rooted of human habits amongst a people entirely wedded to custom? To me it appears that nothing short of a miracle could avert failure from such an attempt; and that therefore it is peculiarly incumbent on those who have the permanent weal of India at heart, to inquire into the *consequences of failure.* The proposal is to make English the sole organ of sound knowledge—the sole instrument of its communication: and it needs no words to prove that, if the organ be but very partially adopted, the knowledge must be restricted in the same degree. Either, then, we must succeed in anglicising the speech of the Indians, or we must, by such an attempt, create a small exclusive body of proficients in our lore. But knowledge is power: English knowledge is in India power of the most formidable character: and if that power *do but get associated with office,* is it possible to doubt its becoming, in the hands of those natives who possess it, an instrument for the oppression of their fellows more formidable even than the present priestly monopoly of learning? Now it so happens that all the advocates for making our language the medium of education, have likewise contended for making it the instrument of administration. Such was Mr. Grant's doctrine in 1792: and such is the doctrine of the

* See "Times" above referred to.

present day. It is needless, therefore, to argue tendencies: the association of anglicised education to anglicised administration, is avowed, and declared to be a grand desideratum! This is, indeed, taking the bull by the horns; for the worst exacerbations of the antivernacular organ must doubtless flow from such association, how mischievous soever its effects might be, unaided by such direct connection with power. Were the question, indeed, a political, and not a philanthropical one; *did* we seek the *stabilitation of our dominion over India*, and in *this* view seek to measure the effects of an English compared with a *Persian* organ of administration, there might be some room for hesitation—perhaps for even the preference claimed for our language. Such, however, is *not* the question: our aim is the people's increase in happiness through increase in knowledge. We seek to regenerate India; and to lay the foundations of a social system which time and God's blessing on the labours of the founders shall mature, perhaps long after we are no longer forthcoming on the scene. Let, then, the foundations be broad and solid enough to support the vast superstructure. Let us *begin* in the right way, or fifty years hence we may have to retrace our steps, and commence anew! Sound knowledge generally diffused is the greatest of all blessings: but the soundness of knowledge has ever depended, and ever will, on its free, and equal, and large communication. Partially diffused it is not only no good, but a bitter and lasting curse—the special curse which hath blighted the fairest portion of Asia from time immemorial, and which for hundreds of years made even Christianity a poison to the people of Europe! Would you inchoate plans of education liable to produce such a result? Do you mean to deny the liability? or to contend that it is not a damning one? No one asserts that it is *impossible* to change the speech of this vast continent. It is only contended that the attempt is of all others the most difficult, and one for which your means are enormously disproportionate to the end. You are a drop, literally, in the ocean, and a drop, too, separated from the mass of waters by the strongest antipathy. So circumstanced, should you not consider that the many are unapt to seek knowledge for itself, though the few can always be won to pursue, *through it*, the path of profit and of power? and should

you not reflect that to wrap up knowledge in a mysterious garb and to connect it directly with authority, is the sure way to cause it to be turned into an engine of oppression of the many by the few? True, Persian is such an instrument at present, and perhaps working more mischief than English could do: true, were English the language of administration, it would tend greatly to the strengthening of our power, in every sense but that large and ultimate one, which identifies the security of dominion with the happiness of the mass of its objects. But the cardinal and overruling truth is, that dominion as well as knowledge should have *no secrets.* Now, foreign organs of communication universally tend to create and maintain such secrets; whilst all the circumstances of our situation in India are pregnant with aptitude to educe that tendency; and as the evils flowing from the existence of those secrets are proved by the experience of all ages and countries to be the direst to which a nation can be exposed, this damning liability suffices for the rejection of such organs. It sufficed in England—in all Europe—in the hour of its regeneration: far more should it suffice in India, where the *one thing* to *be eschewed* by those who have the happiness of its countless millions at stake, is the hazard of making knowledge an official monopoly in the hands of a small number of the people. Any plan for regenerating India which involves such a hazard should be rejected at once on that single ground; and the preference of the vernacular over the English instrument of knowledge is sufficiently established by the exemption of the former, and the non-exemption of the latter, from this hazard. Compare the character and effects of Greek and Roman civilisation (amongst those nations themselves I mean) with Chaldean, Egyptian, old Persian, and Indian civilisation; and tell me precisely why the one called forth all the sublime energies of our kind, whilst the other debased even whilst it refined the nations? Why, but because knowledge associated with power was made a monopoly with the latter, and expressly so by means of an inscrutable medium, whilst with the former it was the common heritage of all, because linked to common use by its vernacular organ.

We are told that but for the incessant motion and unrestrained range of the waters of the ocean, they would become a mass of

corruption which would speedily poison the world. Have not the waters of knowledge, wherever restrained in their circulation, become corrupt themselves, and corruptive of all else? And are there any facts better established by the history of all ages and nations, than first, that it is almost better for a nation to have *no knowledge at all* than one which is denied a free and general circulation? And, secondly, that the strong tendency of knowledge is to centre in the few, who, as surely as they possess, abuse the monopoly?

Leisure and ease are the parents of knowledge, which reveals not its charms to the neophyte: hence the inability and the disinclination of the many—an inability and a disinclination so deeply founded in the nature of things, that he who overlooks them, or fails to make the obviation of them the basis of a national scheme of education, may, if there be any truth in history, any reliance on human nature, be pronounced a mischievous friend or traitorous enemy of the many, who, under the pretence of benefiting, would inflict the direst evils on them. It would seem that a certain degree of ease in the circumstances of a people, and a certain degree of popularity in their public institutions, must *conspire* with the facility and aptitude to common use of vernacular media of education, before knowledge can become a blessing, by becoming the heritage of the many, identified with their household wants and familiar experiences, and deriving from such identity the power of influencing and being influenced by them, in an easy and effectual manner. This, I say, would *seem* to be the case: but there can be no question that, under any conceivable circumstances of the people of India in relation to us, for the next fifty years, any attempt to make our difficult and strange language the organ of the communication of our effective knowledge is infinitely more likely to entail on the country the curse of a monopolised and perverted, than the blessing of a diffused and justly applied, learning. Where shall we find among the people of India the leisure and the ease for anything like a general and disinterested conquest of the vast and odious obstacle we thus place at the threshold of the temple of knowledge, obscuring all the beauty within? And what more certain than that such obstacle, if it exist, will only be vanquished by the few who are sustained in

their efforts, *not* by the quiet impulse of a love of truth, but by the lust of profit and power combined? Let us do *nothing* rather than do this: and let us consider that the regeneration of India must be so essayed as to avoid the *possibility* of inflicting on the people evils so great, at once, and so incident to every feature of our situation as their teachers and rulers, as those which have never yet failed to flow from knowledge monopolised and associated with office!

The mystification of knowledge and of administration, separately evil, are dreadful when combined; and were we to anglicise our courts and our schools, we could scarcely fail, under all the circumstances of the case, to fix on India the curse of this double iniquity. There would soon be no want of English officials among the natives, who would rush to our schools like vultures to the battle-field: but the end of such a system would be worse than the beginning: nor can I find words to express my surprise, that those, who deplore the evils of a Persian organ of administration, should fail to perceive that an English one would perpetuate the greater part of the mischief flowing from the former: for, though the inexpertness of the governors in the use of that instrument work no doubt much evil, by far the largest share of the mischief proceeds from its use being *utterly unknown to the governed*—a condition of things which the substitution of English would leave where it was before, if it did not even aggravate it. Why did we immortalise our Edward for vernacularising the language* of the courts of law? because it is of the last importance to the happiness of nations, that the people—the many—should have the readiest possible means of rightly appreciating legal proceedings. And is it not, indeed, perfectly monstrous to impose on the many, who are stripped of all the appliances for its accomplishment, a task which the few alone can perform, by reason of their exclusive possession of those appliances? But what else than this is it to anglicise the administration in India, in order that our functionaries may be spared the labour of learning the speech of the people, who are thereby obliged to

* Remember too Whitelock's noble speech, when the question went further and involved the vernacularisation of the *whole* language of the law, and not merely the pleadings as in King Edward's time.

learn ours? *To us*, with our leisure, and formed capacity to learn, the acquisition of *their* speech is most easy; and the knowledge of one suffices to meet the need of thousands, nay, millions. *To them*, doomed to daily toil from their youth upwards, the acquisition of our language is next to impossible; nor can the knowledge of one be made subservient to the need of another.

This, the essential view of the case, is not less applicable to educational than to administrative organs: and yet, because of the obvious and comparatively trivial fact, that, so long as a native has not learnt our language, his knowledge must be bounded by the extent of our translations into his, it is coolly said, that for us to put our knowledge into the native garb is a "confined and ineffectual" manner of enlightening the countless myriads of our poverty-stricken subjects, in comparison of that of requiring them to master the prodigious difficulties of our speech, ere they shall be allowed to gather a particle of our knowledge! Folly methinks could scarcely go further than this; for I need not say that such a mastery of our language as should empower a native of India to use it *safely* as an instrument of thought, is a far different thing from such a knowledge of it as suffices to enable him to make his bread as a copyist. Bad English scholars will make little effectual use of the stores of English meditation: and whoever adverts, but for a moment, to the relative capacity and means of the natives and of ourselves to make a right use of the languages, each of the other, in the communication and search of truth, and yet insists that they should be required to adopt our instruments, and not we theirs, may be safely said to be either too shallow, or too lazy, to understand the subject. It is, however, no less an authority than Mr. Grant who propounds this notable maxim, instancing (to crown the absurdity) in religion! Now, since the *immutable* truths of religion are all bound up in *one small* volume, the labour of one competent translator may, it is obvious, suffice, with the aid of the press, to make those truths for ever accessible to all who can read their mother tongue; nor is it less obvious that such a translator may be reared in our ranks with a tithe of the labour which would be requisite to unseal the original volume to one single native. Compare this state of things with

that flowing from the opposite plan of making English the *sine qua-non* of knowledge; no single native can learn the truths of your religion till he has mastered your difficult language—mastered it, I say, and not merely learnt to parrot it! Nor can the knowledge of one suffice, in strictness and in truth, for more than himself—unless he take on himself the office of translator; and in such event the reiterative labour objected to the vernacular plan equally attaches to the antivernacular—only stripped of all its power and energy! No *instance* could be more unfortunate than the special one selected by Mr. Grant to illustrate his doctrine; and which, I humbly submit, is the very one that the skilful adversary would seize for its *reductio ad absurdum,* for the strongest illustration of its falseness.

Without taking undue advantage of the instance of religion, let us use it merely to throw light upon the *principle* contended for, viz., that as a good translation, once made, directly opens the knowledge contained in the work translated to millions of the people, whereas the teaching of our language can only tell quoad the individual taught, the objection that the knowledge conveyed by the first mode must be limited by the extent of our translations, is cast entirely into the shade by the necessary regard for those cardinal difficulties, springing out of the condition of the people, which absolutely *preclude them from availing themselves of the second mode.* WE, who have leisure and ease, and minds highly trained, and practical conversancy with divers tongues, can, therefore, readily master the languages of India; and provide, with no insuperable labour or cost a sufficiency of translation to convey the substance of our knowledge to all its millions. *They,* who have neither leisure, nor ease, nor minds highly trained, nor practical conversancy with any language differing from their mother tongues, can scarcely, by possibility, master your speech. Yet you would put off the weight from your own shoulders and lay it upon theirs! would make *their* acquisition of *your* most difficult and utterly alien tongue the indispensable preliminary to the communication of your blessed gifts of truth and science: And, lest the still and quiet impulse of a love of knowledge should fail to animate the toil-doomed and custom-ridden multitude to so vast and irksome and apparently useless a preliminary labour, you would

anglicise your administration of the country, in order to make *palpably intelligible* the connection of English with popular utility! And wherefore would you do all this? because, because I say—translations reveal no truths that are untranslated, and because (but this by way of appendix) "community of feeling through the medium of a common language" is an acknowledged tie of subject to sovereign, and one which your barbarian predecessors in dominion thought it proper to knit, for their own convenience and safety, without wasting a moment to consider the effects of such a constrained bond upon the happiness of their people!

So feeble an argument as the former is aptly backed by so iniquitous a one as the latter.

Compare the means and opportunities of learning possessed by the few and by the many; and then, unless you hold that knowledge and administration should be mystified for the sole benefit of the former, and in despite of the most terrible consequences to the latter, you will have no difficulty in perceiving that the few, who rule and who teach, have no duty comparable to that of laying open the secrets of both, as far as possible, to those whose ignorance and necessities are but too apt, under the most favourable circumstances, to make them bitter sufferers by such secrets! The aptitude of knowledge to become a fraudful mystery, as well as the miserable consequences to the weal of the many of its becoming such, are, I repeat, facts attested by all history; and facts of which the causes may be at once found in the difficulties inseparable from the acquisition of knowledge, and the overwhelming pressure of those difficulties on the leisureless and necessitous multitude. All history proclaims, too, that of all the circumstances which facilitate and confirm the growth and duration of this evil, an unvernacular medium is the most operative; as of all those which prevent or destroy the evil, a vernacular medium is so. Why? Because the former at once carries away knowledge (in itself an abstraction) beyond the pale of those household and imminent cares which necessarily engross almost the whole attention of the many; whilst the latter tends incessantly to approximate, to reconcile, and, as far as possible, to identify them. Glorious approximation; thrice glorious reconciliation, to which alone the too

helpless and too little heeded many owe *their* exemption from the curse of knowledge, as well *their* partial admission to its blessing!

This is the commanding and overruling view of the question of the best instrument for the communication and search of truth, as it occurs to us at present in relation to the people of India. *Their* numbers, *their* necessities, *their* prejudices prescribe the sole use of the most facile and popular instrument, imposing the whole labour of facilitation upon us. Every circumstance of *our* situation, as joint teachers and rulers, prescribes the sole use of the safest instrument. But the welcome, and easy, and safe instrument is the vernacular. The unwelcome, and difficult, and unsafe, is the English. On each of the three counts, but especially on the last, the preference is due to the former, and would be still so, though its intrinsical feebleness as an organ of thought were considerably greater, in comparison of the English instrument, than it can be allowed to be.

I do not *deny* the reality of those objections to the vernacular plan which consist in the necessary reiteration of translation, and in the augmented difficulty of it, arising out of the inunity and inaccuracy of the living languages. On the contrary, I say of such objections, *valeant quantum valeant.* Let those difficulties be duly considered; but let them not be exaggerated; and above all, let them not be pushed forward so as to exclude from view the difficulties *and hazards* which are inseparable from the antivernacular plan of education.

The one class of difficulties principally falls on ourselves, as the teachers; the other class, principally on the people, as the learners. Now because our appliances are, in comparison of those of the people, as infinity almost to unity, I *therefore* lay the burden where it can best be borne. But it is because the vernacular is free from all liability to *do mischief*, whereas the antivernacular scheme threatens to make "the food of one the poison of many," that I abandon all hesitation in my preference of the former. Let us do no harm, at least, if we do but little good. Learning is not, in itself, a blessing: it is so only according to its use and application. *Generally diffused*, and identified with the *ordinary pursuits*, and *thoughts*, and *wants*, *of society at*

large,* it is beneficent power—power at once incapable of misapplication to the purposes of tyranny, and capable of aiding, in the highest degree, the accomplishment of every useful and generous aim and end. But *not* so identified, it becomes stale and unprofitable: *not* so diffused, it becomes noxious, and noxious in the highest degree—the certain engine of deception and oppression!

Adopt the vernacular organ, and you may at least hope for such general diffusion, and such household identification; because the strong tendency of the instrument itself is to work them out, despite of all obstacles. Adopt the antivernacular organ, and you may not hope for either; because the strong tendency of the instrument selected is to counteract their development, by favouring that natural proneness of knowledge to contraction and perversion, which results but too easily from the necessities of the many and the temptations of the few! Consider, above all things, those necessities of the many: beware, above all things, of those temptations of the few: for the whole circumstances of the people of India, as well as all those of our relation to them, tend to give those temptations a fatal strength, and to direct it point blank against those necessities. The whole of the circumstances in question constitute *in themselves*, and *in despite of your protective prerogatives*, an invitation to the few to turn their gifts against the helpless multitude. Would you, indirectly but effectually, sanction and ratify that invitation, *anglicise* your courts and your schools: would you do all that human prudence can suggest to reverse this doom of Asiatic sovereignty, *vernacularise* your courts and your schools, and draw the mass of the people yet nearer to you by the largest possible association of themselves to the task of governing them. But ye have heard that the people, like their languages, are inefficient instruments: I deny it not; but verily I say unto you there is a holy aim and end in such courses *far beyond instrumental efficiency*, and which thus only shall you reach; and that end is to lift the people from the dust, and to breathe that generous fire into their torpid souls, the kindling of which must be the *beginning* of their regeneration! Why does Elphinstone observe that if Providence should

* See "Times" of April 25, 1872. Note of 1876.

ever bless the Affghans with a wise lawgiver, they might be far more easily regenerated than the people of India? Because the former possess, and the latter want, intellectual and moral stamina—those seeds of character which alone admit of culture.

It is this deplorable want which in India defies the best efforts of education and of administration, and ever will do so till both are principally directed to supply the deficiency, instead of (as at present) compassing inferior ends. The aim is high—its perfect realisation far distant—and probably not reserved for us. But let us do nothing to counteract it—to render its realisation yet more impossible: and if we take the direct road to this chief object, let us be encouraged to proceed by the double reflection upon our own abjectness in time gone by, and of our present noble and universal erectness of spirit.

Now, I object to the antivernacular organ of education, and of administration, not merely as aiding and confirming the tendency of knowledge itself to become monopolised and perverted to the uses of oppression, but also because, firstly, it is apt to generate or confirm servile intellectual habits, especially when combined with the absence of political liberty; and because, secondly, it is not less apt to divorce speculation from experience, theory from practice, abstraction from life.

Those who are accustomed to consider the despotic influence of words over ideas—an influence which even that intellectual giant Locke declared his frequent inability to subdue when it was connected with a foreign language, save by rendering the passage *into his own tongue*—will be able to appreciate the nature of the first objection; or, if not, they have only to consider the effects upon national character of the servile adoption of the Greek and Roman learning by the Gauls, and Iberians, and Britons; and, in later times, by those nations who, having thrown down the Roman colossus, were content for ages to crouch beneath its literature.

Those whom Rome subdued, became twice subject by their slavish acceptance of her language: and those who subdued Rome were only saved from vassalage to her learning by the free genius of their political institutions.

If, again, you would appreciate the quality of the second objection, look at the character of learning in modern Europe,

until it became vernacularised. It consisted entirely of thorny dialectics, or of flowery mysticism: and this, notwithstanding that its stock and root was the eminently useful and practical lore of Greece and of Rome! Can proof more strong be offered or required as to the debasing and disutilitising tendency of a foreign medium, however valuable *itself*, that is, as an organ of thought! I think not: and *therefore* would I not employ such a medium in India!

Had it been possible to emasculate the Teutonic national character, the Greek and Roman languages would have laid their chains on it: had it been possible among those energetic races of men to divorce learning from every species of utility, again the Greek and Roman languages would have accomplished the divorce. And yet those languages, in their natal soils, were the very heralds of liberty and of utility!

To the Greeks and Romans themselves, the breathing words lent double power to the burning thoughts; because those words were autochthonous, were the heritage of every single Greek and Roman, blended inseparably with his daily experiences, as well as with every movement of those more generous impulses, which made all Greek and Roman weal and woe a part of his own.

The very same noble and useful ideas when transplanted to foreign soils were stripped of their nobility and their usefulness, by that very same instrument of their communication, which at home had so well sustained and diffused the energy of both those splendid qualities.

And how was change so singular wrought? for the instrument, as an instrument, retained its identical character. Was it that the Teutons, the Franks and Saxons, had in *their own hearts* no chord responsive to the majesty of Greek and Roman ideas, to all compact of liberty and of practical usefulness?

No supposition could be less true! *What* was it, then? It was that the difficulty of acquiring the use of the instrument coinciding with the intrinsic difficulty of knowledge, compelled the many to abandon the pursuit of knowledge altogether, and thus enabled the few to turn it into an engine of deception: it was that the unfamiliar nature of the instrument coinciding with the intrinsic tendency of knowledge to abstraction, speedily shut out utility from the view of scholars, and left them, a segregated

and separate caste, with the sole alternative of becoming syllogists or mystics. If we may trust the concurrent experience of the Middle Ages in Europe, and of all ages in Asia, it would seem that a vernacular medium is the only expedient for preserving either the generous, or the simply useful, properties of knowledge. Would you, then, make English knowledge a wholesome food—would you prevent its speedily becoming innutritive or poisonous—to the people of India, give it a vernacular organ; for by such an organ only can it acquire and preserve those vital principles of accessibility, and of proneness to identification with household experiences, upon which it must wholly depend, whether that knowledge shall *ever* be a *blessing*, and shall not *presently* be a *curse*, to this land.

August 1835.

LETTER II.

SIR,—Should the picture I have drawn of the difficulties and hazards inseparable from the adoption of the English language as the organ of education (and of administration) be allowed to be, upon the whole, correct, it will follow that paramount considerations connected with the weal of the many enjoin and enforce the *rejection of* that organ. Should, on the other hand, the indication I have given of the advantages inseparable from the adoption of the vernaculars as the media of education (and of administration) be allowed to be, on the whole, accurate, it will follow that paramount considerations connected with the weal of the many enjoin and enforce the *acceptance* of those media.

Before considerations weighty as those adverted to, the question of merely instrumental efficiency sinks into an insignificance from which nothing could redeem it, but demonstrative proof of such an utter and extreme degree of feebleness attaching to the vernacular languages, in this view, as absolutely to compel a resort, at whatever risk, to other instruments. But that no semblance of such proofs has been, or can be adduced, I think I have satisfactorily shown in my preceding letter; and by so doing, I have, I trust, placed the preference due to a vernacular organ

upon unassailable grounds. It can scarcely be necessary for me to say, that my objections to an English organ of instruction are, in substance, not less applicable to a Sanskrit or an Arabic one. And, as I freely admit that the latter languages, notwithstanding their difficulty, lead to nothing deserving of general study, but to much, the even partial study of which, as heretofore, is on every higher account to be deplored, it may be asked with what possible aims I can seek to uphold the dead languages and literature of India, and to uphold them by public patronage?

I answer distinctly that those aims are, 1st. The improvement and literary application of the living languages, considered as the principal *organs* and *instruments* of general instruction in European lore. 2d. Means of facilitation and inducement, suited to the prejudices and ineptitude of the unlearned many, and of conciliation and check, adapted to the adverse interests and unbounded influence of the learned few, with reference to the introduction and establishment of our knowledge, considered as the sole *subject matter* of general instruction. The use of the learned languages of the country I contemplate merely as subsidiary to the first purposes; that of its literature sheerly as conducive to the last; and whilst I concede that these purposes are entirely preliminary, I expect, in the course of this letter, to be able to prove their indispensableness in that view.

If I have succeeded in demonstrating by my precedent letter the cardinal importance and necessity of vernacularising our knowledge, it would seem that *systematic means* to that end form an indispensable feature of our plans for the regeneration of India: And unless it be meant to be asserted, that the most rooted maxims and most cherished opinions of Indian society do not *necessarily* militate against the direct and unqualified acceptance of our staple truths, it would seem that *systematic means* of accommodation and compromise constitute *another* indispensable feature of those plans. I shall recur to these features of educational reform (heretofore so miserably obscured with dust and rubbish), in the sequel, in order to prove the obligation of Government to fix them in a collegiate establishment having for its object the cultivation, with exclusive reference to them, of the learned languages and literature of the country. Meanwhile, having I trust established the necessity of vernacularisation, and

its dependence upon the dead *languages*, I proceed to consider the necessity of accommodation and conciliation, with *their* dependence upon the *literature*.

In approaching this topic, I feel a singular perplexity arising, not out of the difficulty of the subject, but out of that hardihood of assertion which has, of late, attempted to confuse and invalidate the clearest, largest, best-grounded inductions from our experience of the character and condition of the people of India. Until recently, the extremity of their poverty had been as little liable to question as the extremity of their prejudices. But now, it seems, the general acquisition of the English language is as entirely compatible with their means, as the direct adoption of English ideas with their inclinations. Fie upon such stultifying extravagances! for, who not wholly blinded by his impetuous pursuit of some favourite theory, can fail to perceive that were the people indeed so easy in their circumstances, and so liberal in their minds, as is here assumed, there could be little or no occasion for our educational interference? Nay, were the assumption in question anything but the *very reverse* of *truth*, we towering Europeans should be ourselves demonstrably reduced to take shelter under the most grovelling scepticism, entirely without *motive* to amend others or ourselves, how much soever they or we might need it. Because if extreme moral and physical evil and hindrance did not *practically* flow from such notions as prevail in this land, the relative value of all conceivable human notions, must be reduced, universally, to such stuff as reveries are made of! How comes it that the advocates of these extremely liberal opinions do not perceive, that their tenets lead distinctly to the conclusion that all opinions whatever are matters of indifference? Take away from gross error its practical malignity and impotence, and you take away, at the same time, the practical importance of truth! God forbid that I should dwell upon the hostility, the alienation, the imbecility, of the natives with a view to make them objects of execration or contempt. But for the physician to deny the disease at the very moment of prescribing the remedy, is surely too monstrous a procedure to be attended with advantages. Familiar as I am, and long have been, with the deep seat, and the wide spreading taint, of the disease, I could as soon dismiss the conscious-

ness of my own identity as the awfully solemn impression I entertain, that if this malady be at all remediable with the means at *our* disposal, it can be so only by a treatment as nicely as possible adapted to the constitution and habits of the particular patient, whilst it is, at the same time, consistent with the general rules of the healing art. I oppose myself unwillingly to the opinions of those who have recently so much distinguished themselves by philanthropical efforts on behalf of the people of India. But, the more I consider the drift and scope of these opinions, the more am I convinced that the great cause of native regeneration would be retarded, not advanced, by their adoption into general practice; and that in proportion to the unparalleled obstacles which exist to the mental emancipation of Indians by Britons, is the inexpediency of direct measures to that end. If we would indigenate a European plant to the plains of India, it is universally admitted that the first stock must be sent to the Hills in the hope of procuring seed; that there, to the advantage of climate the utmost care must be superadded, if we would realise that hope; and that, in the retransfer of the gradually-acclimated produce to the plains, we must redouble our previous pains in order to be ultimately successful in the experiment. And will those who make this admission, assert that the moral and intellectual regeneration of the people of India by the people of England is an experiment which may be safely and successfully essayed *without any sort* of *preparation?* Yet what but this is the assertion—the proposition of those, who, having in view the dissemination of our knowledge throughout India, contemptuously repudiate all connection with its literature, *or* with its living languages? Our institutions, civil and religious—political, social, and domestic, are not merely dissimilar from, but the very antipodes of, those of the Hindoos. And our knowledge—what is it but the fused extract of our institutions? And is not *their* knowledge the same of *theirs?* And is the prodigious gulf which now separates their minds from ours, to be, indeed, bridged over by measures involving an equal and utter neglect of the pride and power of the learned, of the necessities and imbecility of the unlearned, and of all the prepossessions, prejudices, and accustomed thoughts and feelings, of both? Surely not: nor, in a choice of difficulties, can the adoption of such measures be,

for an instant, admitted to be a closing with the *lesser* ones. Once for all, I would distinctly state, that I conceive the question to relate to the plan and outline of a system of general* education for the people of India. It is high time that some such plan should be devised, and having been devised, should be steadily adhered to by the majority of private educational establishments, as well as by the Government, quoad the extent of its patronage of education. Nor can I fail to deplore that bias towards the fashionable Anglomania which led Lord William Bentinck, when his attention had been momentarily arrested by this question, to proceed *per saltum* from the obvious absurdities of Orientalism to the obvious excellences of Occidentalism, without perceiving that, as usual, the real practical case—involving of necessity the consideration of local fitness as well as of abstract perfection, and of means as well as of ends—could have little affinity with such a vulgar palpable extreme. How long are we to go on picking up straggling students, and instructing them according to the unaided dictates of individual caprice? The smaller the funds at the disposal of Government to this end, the more carefully should they be husbanded by uniform system steadily prosecuted. I admit, at once and freely, the folly of squandering any portion of those funds upon oriental literature considered as, *per se*, the *matter* of instruction—or upon the learned languages considered as, *in any way*, its *media*. But if the most insuperable obstacles exist to the unqualified transmission of English ideas in the English language, are we not necessarily thrown upon those languages and that literature for the indirect means of removing such obstacles, through vernacularisation and through the countenance and sanction of established notions? And to what source save the public exchequer can we look for the *adequate* and *steady* supply of these appliances and helps of the only sort of education in European lore which the people or can or will accept? If the obstacles to direct measures be real, of what use can be the hardy denial of them? And is not their reality attested by the concurrent testimony of history, of the laws and in-

* This is the point, a general system or what is needful to lay the foundation of such: for particular cases, as of princes and men of rank, the question is different, or rather there is here no question of admissible *exceptions* to the general plan, and it may be readily admitted that such persons should be taught in the English language or rather taught that language as well as other things.

stitutions of the land, and of our daily and hourly experience of the people's conduct, towards us and towards one another? * And is it not most unworthy of us to oppose to such testimony as the above, which is *co-equal with the magnitude of what is testified to*, the favourable state of our schools at Calcutta and at one or two other little Goshens, bearing some such proportion to that magnitude as the contribution of a single river to the mass of the oceanic waters?

Let me ask you, sir, as a Christian missionary, what you think of the general result of those efforts at *sowing the seed without dressing the ground*, which belong to the story of religious missions in the East *generally*, during the last two and a half centuries? The miserable failure of these efforts, after so much apparent promise, I have always heard ascribed principally to their unprepared and exotic character, incapable of striking root into the household wants and habits of the instructed. As it is with religious, so is it with temporal, Truth: the difficulty is to work it into the warp and woof of the popular mind: and until it is so interwoven, it can neither have durability nor efficacy, let zealots affirm what they please. How often was not Europe amused, for a century, with the tale that the East was rapidly and generally evangelising? Such as were those assurances, such are the present allegations about the ability and the eagerness of the people of India to drink our knowledge undiluted from the fountain head of English. They cannot, and they may not, so drink: they have neither the means, nor the will, nor the permission so to do. The English language is too costly for them; sheer English truths are too alien to their distorted judgments, narrow experiences and immediate wants, as well as too repugnant to that dominant influence presiding over their minds, to find *unprepared* admission. Let it be granted that the first object is to disenchant the popular mind of India! Do you propose to break the spell which now binds it by the *facilities and attractions* of the English *language?* Or, do you imagine that those magicians to whom the spell is power and wealth and honour unbounded, and whose vigilance has maintained its unabated influence for 3000

* Of the 100 Brahmans and Kshetriyas composing my escort, no ten will eat together; no ten of the one or of the other tribe. Yet the natives have no prejudices!!!

years, have, merely to serve your ends, been suddenly stricken with infatuation? To them belong the parents' minds; to those of the parents, the minds of the children. Say that the children were yours for six hours per diem; would not the rest of their time be necessarily passed at home amid home's habitual associations; which, of what nature they are, may, I trust, be briefly indicated without offence, by a glance at the seemingly forgotten frame work of Indian society.

Two circumstances remarkably distinguish and designate the social system of India: one, its inseparable connection with a recondite literature: the other, the universal precurrency of its divine sanctions through all the offices of life, so as to leave no corner of the field of human action as neutral ground.

Can these premises be denied? And, if not denied, can it be necessary to deduce from them a demonstration of the unbounded power of the men of letters in such a society? or of the consequent necessity for procuring, as far as possible, their neutrality in respect to the inchoation of measures, the whole virtual tendency of which is to destroy that power? Touch what spring of human action you please, you must touch, at the same time, the established system. Touch the spring with any just and generous view of removing the pressure which that system has laid on its native elasticity; and you must, at the same moment, challenge the hostility of that tremendous phalanx of priestly sages which wields an inscrutable literature for the express purpose of perpetuating the enthralment of the popular mind.

However much the splendour of our political power may seem to have abashed these dark men, the fact is that *their* empire over the hearts and understandings of the people has been and is almost entirely unaffected by it. With the Saga of Pompeii they say, 'The body to Cæsar, the mind to us.'—A profound ambition, suited to the subtile genius of their whole devices, and which I fear some of us commit the lordly absurdity of misinterpreting into impotency or indifference! Before we have set foot almost upon *their* empire, it is somewhat premature to question their resources for its defence against intrusion. Their tactics are no vulgar ones; nor will they commit themselves or sooner or further than is needful. We now purpose to

spread our knowledge; they know it, and they know the consequence. But so have we, for half a century, purposed the spread of our religion! The purpose must become act, and the act become, or seem likely to become, *generally* successful, ere these subtile men will confront us openly; and perhaps not then, if heaven inspire us with the prudence to conciliate, check, and awe them by the freest possible resort to that sacred literature which they *dare not* deny the authority of, *however used;* and which assuredly is capable of being largely used for *the diffusion of Truth!*[*] Time has set its solemn impress on that literature: the last rays of the national integrity and glory of this land are reflected from its pages: consummate art has interwoven with its meaner materials all those golden threads which nature liberally furnishes from the whole stock of the domestic and social affections and duties. To the people it is the very echo of their heart's sweetest music: to their pastors —their dangerous and powerful pastors—it is the sole efficient source of that unbounded authority which they possess. To deny the existence of that authority is mere moon-struck idiocy. To admit it is, I conceive, to admit the necessity of compromise and conciliation, so far as may be.

Facillime jubetur exemplo. The text is in Seneca. Now for the commentary. The Moslems, our immediate predecessors in dominion, swayed the sceptre of India, with all the pomp and resources of *domestic* rule, for 500 years. They had a national system of opinions; and millions of immigrants flowed into the adopted land to back the precepts of imperial pleasure in recommending that system to general adoption.

They colonised; they naturalised; they bade the administration adopt their speech; and, from first to last, nor prince nor peasant among them forgot that their first duty to their new country was to make it consentaneous in doctrine with themselves. What was the ultimate result?

That India cleaved to its own institutions, and half imposed them on the conquerors! Now, sir, let me ask you seriously,

* Reasoning may be refused attention. Wherefore I propose for consideration the *fact* of Mr. Wilkinson's success. Can the fact be denied? Mr. Wilkinson and myself are now about to extend the experiment by printing Ashu Ghosha's argument from the Shâstras against caste.

whether, with such an instance staring us in the face, it be not the very extremity of fraud or folly to allege that the people of this country have no material prejudices in favour of the language, the literature, or the customs, of their fathers?

I am sorry, as I have said, to dissent from the prevalent dicta of well-disposed and active friends of India. But I believe a deep and abiding sense of the nature and extent of existing prejudices to be a cardinal maxim never to be lost sight of, by those who would safely and successfully rebaptize the Indian mind in the fount of European knowledge. And when I see and hear the *proceedings of our native schools* daily urged in proof that no such prejudices exist, and the Government lending itself, quoad the resources at its disposal, to a system of education implying their non-existence, *by reason of this supposed proof*, I am lost in astonishment. Granting the premises, the conclusion has no more just proportion to them, than a molehill to the Himalaya! I admit that our knowledge is better fitted, by its superior practical utility, to make way in India, than that of the Moslems. I admit that our technical means of diffusion (the press), are vastly more efficient than any they could employ. But, sir, schools and scholastic lessons are neither the only, nor the most potent, media for the inculcation of new modes of thought and action among nations: And when I contrast the plenitude of those other and more operative means in the hands of the Moslems with their penury in our hands, I am compelled by superior evidence to own that where *they* failed, success cannot crown *our* efforts, unless consummate prudence in the use of all local appliances be added to the intrinsic efficacy of our knowledge and of the aid of the press. I point solemnly to the uniform language of the laws, the unchanging voice of history, and the general tenor of what we daily see and hear among the people, as concurring to prove beyond a question, that the prejudices and prepossessions of this land are the profoundest, most exclusive, and most pervading through all acts and motives, of any upon record! And such being the case, I ask in God's name what probability is there that we, few as we are and miserably insulated as we are, should make any durable beneficial or general impression upon those prejudices and prepossessions, by means of such an abstraction as knowledge, without deliberate measures of gene-

ral instruction combining the utmost modal facility with the furthest practicable use of existing sanctions of opinion? Our knowledge itself militates necessarily, plainly, and directly, with the highest interests of the few, and with the warmest affections of the many. How, then, are we to procure acceptance for it without preliminary measures calculated to neutralise the hostility of the former, and to draw the sympathies of the latter? Let our knowledge *have* come fairly into the field against the knowledge of the East; and who could doubt the result? Not we; nor, assuredly, those who are so deeply interested in maintaining the present mental darkness of the land! *The* difficulty is to bring our knowledge into action, in despite of popular penury and imbecility, backed by the utmost covert opposition of those dark men! How is it to be done—generally and effectually done? And, mind you, I speak not of the perfect realisation—be that the care of the Almighty—but of such inchoative measures as shall be not unworthy of His blessing from their prudence as well as benevolence, and, above all, from their being grounded in a due preference for the superior claims and extreme helplessness of the many! To seek to spread our knowledge directly through an English organ is to fling away every species of facilitation, conciliation, and compromise. Is *this* the way for a few insulated strangers to make a durable or useful moral impression upon a country in which the whole mass of opinions has been welded by consummate fraud into one compact system bearing the highest of possible sanctions, which it derives from a sacred literature, the monopolisers of which wield at will the hearts and understandings of the people? Those formidable pastors of the flock are the apostles of mental thraldom: *We* are the missionaries of mental liberty. Is it necessary to insist further on their hostility to us? Surely not: How, then, shall we foil them?—Let us give to our eminently generous and useful truths the facility and homely aptitude of vernacular media. So, and so only, may we hope gradually to draw over the multitude to our side.* And let us, in the meanwhile neutralise the hostility of the learned, and smooth the passage

* Ours is "the poor man's Raj." It is so really such that the truth has already passed into a proverb. The *few* hate and fear us, with and without cause. Let us, then, bind the *many* to ourselves by community of language: let us *vernacularise ourselves* and our *knowledge* for their and our common benefit!

of Truth into minds so biassed against it, by borrowing, as often, and as far as possible, the maxims and examples of that sacred literature which in our hands is the only charm to conciliate confidence, lull suspicion, and paralyse opposition. The many cannot, and the few dare not, resist its spell. To the former it recalls the long-past ages of their national greatness: to the latter, it is all things, the source of their power, the mystery of their iniquity; enabling him who knows it to command their *willing and unwilling* homage! I have spent many years in India, remote from the Presidencies and large towns and almost entirely amongst the natives, whom consequently it was ever an object with me to conciliate for my own comfort, and whom I trust I always felt anxious to win, in order the better to accomplish my public duties, as well as to influence the people to their own advantage and improvement. Yes! I say I have *so* spent many, many years, during which I solemnly declare that the only unequivocal voluntary testimonies I have received of influence over either the hearts or heads of the people have been owing entirely to some little knowledge on my part of their literature! With this instrument I have warmed hearts and controlled heads which were utterly impassive to kindness, to reason, and to bribery; and deeply am I persuaded, by experience and reflection, that the use of this instrument is indispensable in paving the way for any general, effective, and safe measures of educational regeneration.

It is a splendid compliment we pay to the people to master their difficult literature. The memory of better days connected with it elevates their lowliness to something like a communicable distance from our loftiness. Their shy and shrinking affections, to which we have no direct access of any description, may be poured out to us through this indirect and modest channel which carries the whole waters of their hearts, reflecting from its tranquil bosom every rite and custom, and thought and feeling, of the land! Hence its influence, with the many, in *our* hands: and, as for the few, with them to know it is to have been initiated into those mysteries, the participation of which is the *ne plus ultra* of authority! they may tremble, but must obey, and, ample as is the ground occupied by this all-pervading literature, we may use its sanctions for general truths to a vast ex-

tent as righteously as efficaciously. Could anything surprise me in reference to the manner in which this all-important question has heretofore been treated, it would be the strange inconsistency of those whose extravagant applause of the people is combined with no less extravagant censure of their literature; and the scarcely less strange inconsistency of those others who would borrow the sanction of that literature for our physical truths, but on no account for our moral ones.

The people, say the former, have no material prejudices or prepossessions: for, if they *had*, it might be necessary to consider them when a handful of insulated strangers purposed to lay an absolutely new bias on the popular mind! The literature of the people (they add) is sheer folly and iniquity: for if it were *not*, its pervading and mighty authority might seem to suggest it as a necessary means of laying that new bias on the people's mind! To a reflecting mind such propositions as the above evidently cannot consist together: whatever be the merits of the people, those merits cannot have been forgotten in that deliberate portraiture of themselves which they have embodied in their literature! The character of that literature is mixed: but it is more faithful to their virtues than to their vices; else the limners had not been men. For the rest, those conductors of education who seek that literature not as an end but as a means—nor for itself but for its inducements—may safely borrow many of its precepts, examples, and illustrations to recommend to general attention the substance of a higher knowledge. Of this obvious truth the second class of objectors to which I have just alluded have not been unaware. But they have drawn a strange distinction between the licitness of such recommendation of our physical science, and its illicitness in reference to the other and more important branch of our knowledge,* founding that distinction upon what I conceive to be a false and narrow view of the subject. "Much as I approve of Mr. Wilkinson's suggestion to teach the natives astronomy by means of the Siddhantas, I am very far from thinking that any good use could be made of their moral system. This is a very different question from the former: for the truths of astronomy are derived from mathematical demonstration, whereas morality,

* "Calcutta Christian Observer," for August, 1843.

when disjointed from revelation, is *not* so indisputable: but is, even in *material points, open to objection:* witness the different systems that have been formed concerning the principle of moral approbation." This is, I confess, language such as I never expected to hear at the present day, and which is certainly opposed to the sentiments of the greatest and best men of Europe. With *them* the Divine geometrician is likewise the universal lawgiver and judge, whose moral attributes and ours alone cause it to *be* that there is, or hath been, such a thing as Religion in the world. That those attributes, on our part, are His work, is a proof that they are immutable and universal: that they are indispensable to His honour and our happiness, is a proof that they are indisputably vouched to all human apprehension. Were morality disputable there could be no religion: were there no religion there could be no Revelation. Have not the mass of mankind in all ages and countries by the *general tenor of their lives* demonstrated the practical indisputableness of morals? Conscience! does it speak one language at Benares and another at Canterbury? Or is that to which it testifies less satisfactorily evidenced, than that two and two make four? Certainly not!

"If we bear in mind that the question relates to the coincidence of all men in considering the same qualities as virtues, and not to the preference of one class of virtues by some, and of another class by others, the exceptions from the universal agreement of mankind in their system of practical morality will be reduced to absolute insignificance."*

"On convient le plus souvens de ces instincts de la conscience. La plus grande partie du genre humain leur rend temoinage. Les Orientaux, et les Grecs et les Romains conviennent en cela."†

As to the speculative disputes respecting the *principle* of moral approbation and disapprobation, they have no more to do with the fact that mankind naturally approve what is right, and disapprove what is wrong, or with the practical system of ethics resting on that fact, than have the laws of motion and their

* Mackintosh, Eth. Phi.

† Leibnitz, Œuvres Phil. To the same effect might be quoted Butler, Berkeley, and all the greatest lights of the Anglican Church.

practical consequences, and axioms with the question whether space be a plenum or a vacuum. Let the sense of right and wrong be a rational or sensitive principle, an original or a derivative one, it will still be the *very same* sense after these doubts are solved as it was before they were started; and it is indeed surprising that an intelligent writer should cite such doubts to bear witness against that which they have no earthly relation to, viz., the immutability and universality of moral distinctions, and the consequent harmony of the moral precepts thence derived by the sages of all nations and of all times. But it is obvious that, beyond the limits of ethics, strictly so called, there is a very large and most important field which the most captious must concede to be neutral ground, quoad objections on *our* side to the use of Oriental sanctions of opinion.

The elemental laws of thought,—including a designation of the necessary boundaries of human inquiry, and the best rules of investigation within those limits—the law of population, the philosophy of wealth, the general principles of jurisprudence, of judicature and of reformative police! How are we to inculcate the elements of our knowledge upon these topics, which are at once infinitely more essential to the welfare of the people of India than mathematical and physical science, and infinitely more liable to the adverse influence of prejudice and prepossession?

Physical science is almost unknown in India, and hence there will be little for us to undo: it stands almost wholly aloof from the turmoil of the passions and interests of men, and hence there will be little difficulty in removing obstructions to fair and patient attention.

But the philosophy of life, however ill it is yet understood, has been an object of study in this land for 3000 years, in all which time the falsest interests, and the most turbulent passions, and the most fantastic opinions, have contributed the warp, as nature and experience have the woof, to its network.

To leave the woof as it is, and to supply a new warp from the schools of European wisdom—*hoc opus, hic labor est!* To attempt to remove both warp and woof were, I believe, to disorganise society, and to insure our own destruction in its disorganisation! Here it is, certainly, that the countenance and

support, real or seeming, of established maxims and examples, is most needed and most readily to be had—most needed, because of the prejudices and passions that are indissolubly bound up with the topics—most easily to be had, because of that universal consciousness, and almost universal experience, which necessarily supply the ultimate evidence of such topics. High dated and literary as is the character of Indian civilisation, it *could not be* that their literature should have failed to gather ample materials for the just illustration, in some way or other, of most, if not of all, parts of the philosophy of life. And, with respect to the *fact*, you, sir, need not be told that it has not failed to gather them.

In mathematical science, again, the premises must be absolutely known or unknown; and there is a long and rigorous process intervening between them and the conclusion. It is otherwise in the philosophy of life, not to mention that examples furnish their own illustration, data carrying pretty obviously their consequences with them; and just data are deducible, to an astonishing extent, from *every* cultivated nation's existing stock of ideas, merely by superior arrangement and larger generalisation. But, on the other hand, the whole host of prejudices compasses this latter class of ideas—prejudices of opinion, of affection, and of interest, so much so that, even in the most enlightened part of Europe, it is accepted as a maxim, that "it is impossible to make too much allowance for friction."

If the immediately preceding remarks be tolerably well grounded, I think it can scarcely be denied that the inducements and sanctions derivable from Oriental literature are at once infinitely more requisite and more procurable, in reference to the diffusion of our moral than of our physical sciences. Nor can I here avoid the expression of my surprise, that those who have been compelled to acknowledge the success of Mr. Wilkinson in removing, by means of the Indian astronomy, those formidable obstacles which stand round the threshold of the native mind, resisting the entrance of our knowledge, should refuse to attend to his repeated declarations, that his object is general, not particular, is moral, not scientific, is mediate, not ultimate!

Mr. Wilkinson's experience of the people of India is of that

genuine sort which arises out of close intercourse with them, remote from our Presidencies and large towns. *There* he learnt the necessity of preparation, conciliation, and compromise; and *there* he found the means of them all—the means of closing that gulf which separates European and Indian affection and intellect—in *the use of that literature which*, I shall venture to say, *cannot be dispensed with*, and least of all in relation to that very department of our knowledge from which there would seem to be a disposition to exclude its instrumentality upon grounds erroneous as far as they go, and which fail yet more by defect than by error. Whatever may be the case at the Presidency, I trust I have now assigned some solid reasons for the conclusion that the general acceptance, as well as the safe and beneficial and durable operation, of our knowledge must depend upon the facilities of the living, and the inducements of the dead, languages of the country: and even with respect to the Presidency, it would seem that the apparent anxiety to Anglicise, which is there manifested by the people, is nothing more than a pestilent craving after the profit and power to be derived from the perverted use of our language.

The following is an extract from "The Englishman" of the 7th September:—"A report of the Hindoo Free School has been lying on our table several days. We should have noticed it sooner could we have brought ourselves to view with calmness this *further* testimony to the disgusting and culpable indifference of the wealthy Hindoos to the solid interests and intellectual advancement of their poorer countrymen. Will it be believed, out of Calcutta, that a school containing 250 scholars has not received pecuniary assistance from more than seven native gentlemen? Were we to tell the story that *all* the good service rendered to 80 millions in the way of education proceeds from Englishmen, and from poor students, whose *parents shamefully stint them*, and whose *intelligence is laughed at*, we should obtain no credit for our narrative." The Editor's surprise may be real; but beyond all question his story, were it told, *would* obtain universal credence everywhere without the limits of Calcutta, as far as the Himalaya and the Indus, both from the whole native community, and from all Europeans accurately conversant with the means and habits and sentiments of that

community! To those means and habits and sentiments, sheer English knowledge in an English garb has some such relation of fitness, as have the English ball-room habiliments to the persons of the 80 millions in the pursuit of their ordinary avocations! Ah! would we, instead of circling round and round the pale of the Presidency, but elevate our contemplation to the physical and moral condition of those 80 millions, and to the possible means of influencing it beneficially, through our knowledge, with due advertence to our scanty numbers and miserable insulation, *then* should we perceive the indispensable necessity of a deliberate, systematic, and uniform plan of education, combining the utmost facilities with the utmost inducements to change. And *then* would the small funds at the disposal of Government to this end be devoted entirely to the steady and adequate supply of those facilities and inducements, leaving their application and use to the public. One of the most philosophic writers upon the progress of society in Europe has remarked,* that the vernacularisation of learning produced a greater effect in disabusing the general intellect of the prejudices of books, and of those of existing institutions and opinions, than all the rest of the glorious events and discoveries of that age which witnessed it, including among those events the invention of printing! Now, is it not the alpha and omega of our hopes, to produce such an effect upon the general intellect in India? Is not our knowledge itself but a means to that end? And shall we overlook vernacularisation in India, when neither availability, nor safety, nor adequacy, can belong to the instrument of our knowledge, save by and through it? If there be but a tolerable warranty for the truth of that pre-eminent liberalising influence ascribed to the vernacularisation of learning in Europe by the author I have adverted to—and he must be a bold man who will dispute the judgment of the finest intellect in Britain—vernacularisation should be our chief engine in India, apart from all advertence to its instrumental indispensableness towards the diffusion of *our* knowledge. But if we combine the consideration of its independent moral agency with that of its unequalled energy in spreading abroad any particular truths, what on earth should lead us to overlook its title to be made the corner-stone of the

* "Edinburgh Review," vol. xxvii. p. 208.

edifice of public instruction? It is argued that there is no saying whence the moral spark may be elicited; and that *therefore* it is expedient to teach our language, in the hope that the seed of our knowledge, thence procurable, may fall on some happy spot where it may take root, and whence it may be generally propagated. Now, I would observe, in the first place, that, as the fructifying power belongs to our knowledge and not to our speech, the chance of the seed falling upon a congenial soil must be proportioned to the extent of the experimental ground employed to raise it. But the vernacular intrument may convey the seed to hundreds of thousands of minds, whilst the English one must limit it to a few hundreds at most. Need I make the application, according to the arithmetical rule of chances? This, however, is but half the answer to the argument I have stated; for, in the second place, it is beyond a question that sound knowledge may be accepted, taught, and studied, for ages, without "awaking the strong man"—without stirring the deep waters of a nation's intellect; and that universal experience strongly indicates the *entire dependence*, in a national sense, of this vivifying power of knowledge upon that complete fusion of its precepts with a nation's familiar experiences and wants which neither hath been, nor can be, without a vernacular medium!

If, then, it be our object to free the Indian mind from the thraldom of prejudice, by means of knowledge, the chances of success from the use of an antivernacular and of a vernacular process are, according to the first of the above modes of computation, as very many to one in favour of the latter—and, according to the second mode of estimation, the unit disappears! Again, it is argued, let us once reach and move, by English or other media, the Indian intellect; and the people will presently direct that movement into the vernacular channels of communication. I do not deny the possibility: but, with respect to the probability, I ask, is there not the strongest prejudice in this country against popular learning? And is not much precious time and opportunity like to be lost by reason of this prejudice, if we ourselves do not set the example of deriding it—if we *sanction* it by the use of an antivernacular organ? More than that: obvious causes, always and everywhere, so much tend to make the cultivation of knowledge the special business of the few, and at

the same time to lay so many conscious and unconscious biasses on the minds of those few, disposing them to mystify, if not to abuse, it, that the history of letters since the dawn of civilisation on earth, hardly yields a few solitary exceptions to the general issue of the monopoly of knowledge in impotency or *in* knavery. And is it in *India*, and in respect to *our* knowledge, that we are to presume an easy, voluntary, and necessary transmission from the few to the many? Never was presumption made, so plainly opposed to reason and to history! * Nor is it, by any means, necessary to suppose an *artificial* and *deliberately fraudful* monopoly of our knowledge—though that is too probable, if it wear an English dress—since the natural monopoly, resulting from its difficulty, and from the incompetency of the means and wit of the many to cope with that difficulty, may abundantly suffice to strip our knowledge of all useful energy, and reduce it to the character of an idle curiosity in the possession of a small number of the people. The noble science of Greece and Rome, what else was it, but an idle curiosity to all modern Europe for more than a thousand years? And why? Because of its costliness, and because of its disconnection from ordinary use and experience, partly by reason of its lingual, and partly by reason of its essential, incongruity with existing modes of thought and sentiment. And do we really imagine that there are more points of contact (so to speak) between English knowledge in an English dress, and the existing means and modes of thought and feeling in India, than there were between those means and modes in modern Europe from the fifth to the fifteenth century, and Greek and Roman knowledge in their respective lingual garbs? Do we really imagine that Anglicised Indians will presently and readily acquire either the *power* so justly to appreciate the philosophy of speech and thought as to do justice to English words and ideas in their transfusion to the Indian vernaculars; or the *will* so utterly to set their country's prejudice at defiance, as to bend their efforts to the peculiarly painful and compensating task of working out the literary application of those tongues to the substance of an alien knowledge?

* It cost *us* AGES to shake off the prejudice in favour of learned knowledge! Is this the *reason* why Mr. T. affects to underrate the hazard of perpetuating this prejudice in India?

If we *do* cherish such fond imaginations, we are destined to be miserably disappointed: nor can there be a question that all those noble preliminary toils, by which alone European knowledge can be indigenated in India, must owe their entire design and plan, as well as the superior tendency of their execution, to ourselves.

To enlarge, strengthen, and purify the common Indian channels of thought—to pour into them the strong waters of our knowledge, duly tempered to the feeble stomachs of the people—to lead them on from truth to truth under the seeming guidance of their own venerated lore, till they have insensibly learnt to perceive its folly and iniquity—these are labours as much above the unassisted capacity of the people of India as contrary to their unguided inclinations!

The moral and intellectual fetters of thirty centuries are not to be sundered by unprepared and random efforts. To suppose so, is utterly to overlook the strength of those principles which hold society together, alike under the worst as under the best social systems. *Pas à pas on va bien loin.* If, in India, the whole mass of opinions bear the most authoritative of sanctions—if the affections of the many and the interests of the few combine to root that sanction in the very core of all hearts—we must *borrow* it, as often and as far as we can: so only shall we check the few, and attract the many, especially in the *first stages of our progress.* But to employ the indispensable sanction (the literature of the land) sufficiently freely, and yet so as not to counteract our ultimate object of discrediting and dispensing with it—does it not imply system, perseverance, cost, with such an habitual concurrence of native learning and European direction and control as we may look for in vain, if Government stand aloof?

If, again, the moral energy of knowledge depend wholly or chiefly upon its intimate fusion with the household thoughts and words of a people, whilst there exists in India the strongest bias against thus lowering the dignity of learning, whence but from the patronage of Government to the systematic, persevering, and costly concurrence of native learning and European superintendency, in the improvement and literary application of the vulgar tongues, can we look for the adequate development of this moral energy? It was because the Moslem scorned the aid of the established sanctions of opinion, in a land where their force was as

pervading as imperative; and because he knew not whence springs the reformative vigour of knowledge, and therefore never poured his own into the popular channels of Indian thought, that the Moslem failed to make the least moral impression on India, despite his vast command over the influences of example, of time, and of domestic sway.

To us, those potent influences are wanting: and, few and insulated as we are, it *cannot* be that such an abstraction as knowledge should in our hands work out that impression unless we give to the agent its maximum of moral power by systematic vernacularisation, removing at the same time all obstacles to its incipient operation by systematic compromise with existing prejudices. With *these* ends and aims the continued public patronage of the learned languages and literature of India is not only legitimate but desirable—not only desirable but indispensable. Indispensable for what? for the moral and intellectual regeneration of India! How? by the communication of general truths! How, again? solely through the living languages of the country! How, once again? with all the recommendation of acknowledged precepts and examples that can be safely borrowed from the vast and various literature of the country!

Until these views be realised in a public college of translators and vernacularisers, it is impossible that the business of education should progress steadily and safely throughout the country, for want of the requisite means and appliances in the hands of the teachers.

But how, it will be asked, are we to realise the uses of the study of Oriental lore, and to prevent the abuse of that study to pristine purposes, on the part of those scholars who are to be educated in such a college? make the privilege of learning Arabic or Sanskrit at the public expense contingent upon the learning simultaneously of other things—English, for example, or anatomy and chemistry: and you ensure the mental superiority of these favoured scholars to the errors of their country, fitting them at the same time either to go forth as the accomplished apostles * of truth, or, more usually, to remain

* They should go forth, specifically, as *schoolmasters*; and the college spoken of should be appropriated to training schoolmasters only, and translators. See Letter No. IV.

about you, engaged in concert with yourselves in such lexicographical and grammarian labours as are required for the improvement of the vernaculars, or for transfusing our knowledge into these channels, or for recommending it to general acceptance under the cover of admitted sanctions of opinion, preceptive or exemplary!

If the moral energy of knowledge can be shown to be compatible with an *antivernacular* organ: if the learning of the English language can be shown to be compatible with the *means* of the people of India: if the very partial spread of our knowledge can be shown to be consistent with their *welfare:* or lastly, if a voluntary and unaided disposition, on their own part, to popularise our knowledge by identifying it with the cultivation and literary use of the vulgar tongues can be shown to be probably deducible from *their own unaided views and habits in respect of letters*—I am content to give up my argument. But as for proofs of the contrary of any one of these propositions drawn from the alleged eagerness of the people to Anglicise, as manifested in our own schools, I must again repeat that were the particular premises granted they are no more adequate to support the general conclusion than I am to poise the Andes in the palm of my hand! And not merely so: for let the number of those scholars be quintupled, and the whole might still be presumed to belong to that pestilent class which seeks merely the means of turning the power of our knowledge *against* the universal helplessness! Where is the stress of education now laid in Europe? upon facilitation! Wherefore? because the procuring of the blessing, as well as the averting of the curse, of knowledge depends upon the *free access* and *effectual participation* of *the many;* which may not be without the utmost facilities of all kinds. So long as the acquisition of knowledge is difficult, so long must it centre in the few; and so long as it centres in the few, so long will it lapse into useless mysticism or subtility, if it be not turned into an engine of oppression.

It is *not* the quality of knowledge, how good soever, which makes it work beneficially: it is its identification with familiar general thoughts and feelings in the land where it is planted: and if Greek and Roman knowledge attained no such identi-

fication in modern Europe for a thousand years, and consequently stirred not the slumber of the strong man (according to Milton's noble allegory); whence is derived the presumption that European knowledge is so capable of allying itself to the familiar thoughts and feelings of India, that we may dispense with all facilities in the mode of propagating it? a proposition more directly opposed to reason and to history was never, I conceive, hazarded.

For knowledge to produce any moral effect, it must be wedded to general sympathy: for knowledge to produce any intellectual effect, it must be wedded to general practical experience. And that a handful of strangers, shut out from popular sympathies and from all the intimate things of local experience, should cause these banns to be celebrated in India by the sheer agency of European science, without deliberate, systematic, public measures of education exclusively directed to the one end of creating a popular disposition and means towards their celebration, appears to me a chimera!

But such popular means entirely, and such popular disposition mainly, ever have depended, and ever will, upon the use of vernacular media: and that part of popular disposition which hath not hinged upon those media, where shall we look for its subjection to the moral influence of learning, save in the use of acknowledged sanctions of opinion.

To enable the people to think, have not the great minds of Europe forced themselves to think with the people? To *induce* them to think, have not those minds, in all ages, deferred to prejudice? Christ Himself and His favourite disciples were "all things to all men:" nor, if we exclude the agency of uncontrolled enthusiasm—an energy which we neither dare nor purpose to employ—has one great and happy moral change been effected in the world except by long and careful compromise and conciliation and preparation? Now, no case can be imagined in which compromise and conciliation are more requisite than in the present one: and because all *personal* means of either are almost wholly denied to us, I point to those ample means which the sacred literature of the land can afford us. True, its employment is liable to objections: but what then?

It is necessary—it is indispensable: it sways all interests—it hallows all opinions: and the Babel of thirty centuries, resting upon *its foundations*, will stand for ever, in despite of our knowledge, unless that knowledge be worked into the people's hearts and understandings with the precepts and examples of this omnipotent make-way! As to religious or moral scruples on *our* part, they are more than answered by the conduct and sentiments of the founder of our creed; and by the innocuous use of classic paganism by Europe for ages. There is, or recently was, somewhat more pith in the objection from expediency, that to protect the study of the learned languages and literature by public patronage tended to maintain their influence and that of the evils they support. I admit the force of this objection as it applied to the system of instruction in the public schools prior to Lord William Bentinck's reform. That system made Sanskrit and Arabic the direct means, and Oriental lore the direct end, of instruction; and it sought further to recommend those languages by conveying into them the treasures of *our* knowledge! Such a plan of education, acting under the continuance of the jurisprudential sanction of those languages, and under the disadvantages of so difficult and alien an instrument for the general communication of European truths as the English language, might indeed have realised the apprehension adverted to.

But these measures, except the last, belong to obsolete follies: and, in respect to retrospective censure of the first of them, it should not be forgotten that so long as the ultimate reference in all legal questions was to Oriental lore, the public could scarcely be excused from the obligation of protecting the study of those difficult languages which formed its sole depositaries. The great question still remaining to be settled is, whether, assuming *our* knowledge to be the sole subject-matter of instruction, we can dispense with the facilities of vernacular media and with the inducements of established opinion? and, if not, whether the public patronage of the learned languages and literature in such a college as I have indicated the necessity of, be not indispensable to the adequate and steady supply of those facilities and inducements to all those who shall be directly engaged in the business of education? With that

business the college of translation and vernacularisation would have no direct concern, the sole function of its masters and *students* being the conjoint preparation for our teachers, public and private, of those indirect means and appliances of education without the fullest aid of which it is believed that the tree of European knowledge can never take root in this land; and the *adequate furnishing* of which appliances and helps implies labours as much above individual means and leisure on *our* part, as transcending the capacity, and repugnant to the fixed bias, of the *native* mind.

The higher uses and influences of vernacularisation have heretofore failed entirely to attract attention. Knowledge itself, even sound knowledge, owes its moral energy to this instrument. If the word of Junius * be an insufficient warrant for this cardinal truth, let reference be had to any and all the great writers of Europe who have expounded the causes of the progress of society: there is no difference of opinion amongst them on this point. But, if vernacularisation be indispensable, it can scarcely be denied that the highly skilful, steadily continuous, and purely preliminary labours involved in the successful effectuation of it in reference to the substance of our knowledge, are pre-eminently *European* in the whole conception and direction; and at the same time, so remarkably the business of no one, as to fall, quoad cost, to the care of the State. Hence my impression of the necessity of public patronage of these labours—involving, of course, such patronage of the study of the learned languages and literature of the country: but their study directed to ends how different, and by methods how remote, from those lately in practice, I need not further explain. I may remark, however, in reference to the applicability of the objection just stated, to the protected pursuit of Orientalism that, *thus restricted* and *directed*, it could not, by possibility, produce the apprehended effects, were, as I propose, our eminently useful and generous knowledge recommended to general attention by the facility and aptitude to common use and experience of vernacularisation—including in that term the accommodation of

* These letters were first published under this signature.

thoughts as well as of words to the state of popular intellect and affection in this land.

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P. S. I have perused an article on the education of the people in the third No. of the Meerut Magazine. So far as I understand the writer's views, it would seem that he considers their education ought to consist in a very extended application of legal sanctions to the enforcement of moral duties. If this be the real scope of the essay—as I suppose—I would suggest to its author, 1st, that we are too few and too ignorant of the intimate framework of Indian society, to play the censor's part, magisterially or judicially, with much probability of success. 2d, That the glory of morality consists in its perfect voluntariness —a truth the neglect of which by Eastern lawgivers has led them to extend public coercion over the whole field of human action with no better general consequence than the *dwarfing and emasculation* of the national character! I fully admit, with this writer, the importance of the "concurrence and co-operation of the people themselves" in the business of education. Upon that rock I too build, laying the corner-stones of my edifice in facilitation, and conciliation, with reference to *their* penury and prepossessions. Pity so vigorous a writer will have nothing to do with the *first* half of the maxim, *Suaviter in modo: fortiter in re!*

It is scarcely practically convenient to give so unlimited a sense to the idea of education as does the writer in question. But I have not hesitated to say, incidentally in my first letter, that I consider the general association of the people to the business of administration, through Juries,* to be, educationally, at least as important as the general admission of them into the circle of European speculation, through vernacularisation. Sound doctrines are not everything: *neither are they nothing;* and I think the author of the paper adverted to will admit, upon reflection, that his notion of creating a general spirit of industry by public means of coercion or punishment—in other words, by the

* Panchayets are, in a large view, essentially the same thing, viz., a qualification of the sheerly official administration of justice by certain popular elements.

instrumentality of the laws—is a sad mistake. *Mitius jubetur doctrina.* In respect of industry, in particular, it is universally allowed that the operation of the laws of all Europe has been —from the times adverted to by this writer up to our own day almost—singularly injurious; so much so that the celebrated '*laissez nous faire*' has passed into a proverb.

LETTER III.

My reason for reverting to the subject of these letters, is to be found in the following extract from the "Friend of India:" "It is a truism, which we almost fear to hazard, that our only chance of effecting permanent and extensive good in India, must arise from the adoption of a system of vernacular education; and yet, viewing the apathy which prevails on this subject, it would almost appear as though this fact was not yet received into the number of truths. It is now nearly twenty-five years since Parliament appropriated a large grant for educational purposes in India, and to this moment no single effort has been made to give the great body of the people the benefit of this grant. It has been invariably applied in succession to the encouragement of some foreign language or other, the Arabic, the Persian, the Sanskrit, the English; never to that of the vernacular languages. It is a twelvemonth since the Education Board stated in their Report, that the creation of a national literature and of a national system of education, was the ultimate object to which all their labours were directed. What step has been taken to attain this ultimate object—what book has been translated into Bengalee or Hindustani — what indigenous school erected? Of what system of education has even the foundation been laid? Mr. Adam's report of his researches, which it was understood would form the basis of an educational structure, has now been before Government a twelvemonth. What single measure has grown out of his labours and researches? The answer is lamentably simple; none. The stillness of death reigns in the department of vernacular education." This is a lamentable

statement: but as I have an unabating and full confidence in the *cause*, so I believe that further discussion must and will eventually open the eyes of the public.

With the hope of conducing to that end, I now reprint my two first letters, and add some further remarks suited to the changing and I think improving aspect of the subject, though there is, alas, but too much room for amendment still, and for continued revertence to first principles.

The letters are an answer to Mr. Trevelyan's Essay * on the means of communicating the civilisation of Europe to India. No other person has yet attempted formally to justify by argument the novel and exclusive measures of the Education Committee. Wherefore an answer to Mr. Trevelyan's Essay is an answer to all that has, thus far, been deliberately advanced in favour of Anglomania.

In the last Report of the Committee there are, indeed, a few stray sentences mentioning the vernaculars with respect: but those "epea pteroenta" are so foreign to the general scope of that Report, are so signally at variance with the whole previous sayings and doings of the Committee, and are so belied by the subsequent acts and *attempts* (buried in the archives of the Council Room!) of that body, that charity must seek to cover these egregious sentences with oblivion.

Such persons, however, as are content to be thankful for small mercies, may congratulate the vernacularists upon their having at least compelled the other party to *speak* respectfully of the languages of the people! Should Mr. Trevelyan feel inclined to favour me with a response, now that I avow my letters (challenging him directly to appear and answer), I would beg of him to address himself exclusively to the main topic of the letters, or the pre-eminent and overruling importance of vernacular media, universally, or in all times and places. I have assigned the largest and most pervading reasons deducible from history and from the nature of man, for that transcendent energy which I have ascribed to such media; and I have endeavoured to show that, were the objections made to the vernacular languages of India, in their present state, much stronger than

* Mr. Grant's essay on the same subject may be considered as the basis of Mr. Trevelyan's. I have studied them both.

they really are, the reasons above alluded to would still suffice to justify a present practical preference on the part of Government of the vernaculars to English—if our object be really to *renerve*, and to *give a right direction to*, the mental vigour of this land, safely, gradually, and with a reasonable prospect of producing expansive and durable effects. Let, then, Mr. T. address himself to the *express grounds* and *reasons* upon which the paramountship of the vernaculars is rested. If the corypheus of the Anglicists (whose active benevolence I honour and love) can show that these grounds are less comprehensive, or less firm than I assume, well and good; but, if he cannot show it, let him be assured that less comprehensive ones, though just as far as they go, must yet leave the *vital merits* of this great question untouched. And let him remember, too, that the real question is the regeneration of this land, or the means of breaking its intellectual torpor by a fresh and vigorous impulsion from sound knowledge, that is, from European knowledge.

As a practical measure for the immediate adoption of Government, I have no hesitation in saying that to found a college for the rearing of a competent body of translators and of schoolmasters—in other words, for the systematic supply of good vernacular books and good vernacular teachers (leaving the public to *employ* both, in case the Government fund be adequate to no more than the maintenance of such college), would be an infinitely better disposal of the Parliamentary grant than the present application of it to the training of a promiscuous crowd of English smatterers, whose average period of schooling cannot, by *possibility*, fit them to be the regenerators of their country, yet for whose further and efficient prosecution of studies so difficult and so alien to ordinary uses, there is no provision nor inducement whatever!! *

Mr. Trevelyan seems to have thought it enough for his argu-

* Note of 1846.—These have been partially afforded by Lord Hardinge. I trust the experiment may work well for the country beyond meeting the calls of the Government for native functionaries, and that these may be found sufficiently at home in the appropriate knowledge of their class in addition to their European lore. My proposed college, it will be seen in the sequel (Letter IV.), makes no distinction between mental culture in the English and vernacular languages. It proposes to combine the two and to give the combination the most definite at once and most effective form with reference to the general intellectual wants of the people of India.

ment (see Essay *passim*) to cite the *bare fact* that knowledge has been generally communicated and spread through exotic organs. I shall not attempt at present to bring any fresh proofs that Mr. Trevelyan's historical *examples* may be easily turned into solemn and fearful *warnings:* I shall not attempt further to show that the general history of knowledge is, "propter hanc causam exotici medii," a *disgraceful* and *lamentable story;* that (not to travel for illustrations out of the limits of Europe) it was the practically, if not necessarily, exclusive genius of this system of learning, which turned our beautiful religion into a scandal and curse; our noble liberty into slavery: I shall not attempt to trace the waste of time and of means generated by this adherence to foreign media; nor, lastly, to urge the very legitimate presumption that, after all, "the strong man" was awakened in Europe from the lethargy of ages not by, but in *despite* of, exotic lore.

All these general topics I reserve till Mr. T. appear in his justification.

Meanwhile, and with express reference to his present notion that the best way of exciting the Indian intellect, and of creating a genuine literary spirit, is to scatter the small Educational fund at Government's disposal amongst the seventy millions of our subjects, by picking up at random pauper pupils, teaching them to prate English for five or six years, and then dismissing them, to *regenerate their country!* living themselves, I suppose, upon *air*, and increasing their store of this *facile* knowledge by certain inspirations of which it were mere impiety to doubt the probability!!!

Such a plan appears to me radically and hopelessly futile; and, certainly, no anticipation of success in *this* method of naturalising European knowledge in India can be drawn from the fact of the success which attended the incorporation of Greek and Roman knowledge with our familiar words and thoughts.

True, the difficult and inapt science of Greece and Rome *was*, in modern Europe, first mastered in itself, and eventually worked into our own speech and minds. But how? by the employment of means adequate to the end, and by the existence of circumstances most powerfully efficient to forward that end. A thousand predisposing causes led a mighty nobility to seek

in this lore the appropriate ornament of their rank and station. A church, which monopolised a third of the wealth of the continent, called Rome its mother and Greece its foster mother: and throughout the great part of that continent, the Law, ecclesiastic and civil, was even lingually Roman. *Hence* the magnificent endowments and establishments and permanent inducements of all kinds by which a difficult and exotic learning was at length effectually naturalised amongst us. *Hence* the scholar, if he pleased, might pursue in retirement letters as a profession, assured of a comfortable provision *for life;* or, if he pleased, he might devote himself to the task of instructing the scions of a most influential and wealthy nobility, all of them, from peculiar associations, necessitated to become his pupils whether they profited by his lessons or not, and thereby affording *him* the certainty of an enduring means of livelihood; or, if he pleased, he might pass from the cloister or the college into the world, and there find the greater part of its most important concerns subservient (by virtue of special causes that had operated upon the social system since its very genesis) to the uses and abuses of his peculiar gifts.

If these things be so, we see at least that, in modern Europe, *due provision* and *inducement* existed for the *steady pursuit* throughout a *long succession* of *laborious lives*, of Greek and Roman knowledge: in other words, means were forthcoming adequate to achieve (in the lapse of ages!!) the difficult end proposed to be accomplished. Now, unless Mr. Trevelyan can demonstrate that it is much less difficult for the people of India to master our speech and to transmute its treasures into their own, I think he will find in the *total absence* of those vast appliances, or of those most potent favouring predispositions, by virtue of which *alone* Europe was Romanised, a decisive objection to his scheme of direct Anglicisation, being no less than a demonstration of the utter present and prospective futility of that scheme. Mr. Trevelyan has insisted, throughout and always, on the parallel case of European progression by virtue of dead tongues. The above is my answer, quoad his present specific plan of operations: the parallel is utterly naught; and the plan, palpably baseless. Let me add, that I take this plan in its *last* and *freshest* form, or that indicated in and by the memorable

paragraphs of the Education Committee's Report* already adverted to. And, if I make no allusions to ground-shifting between the dates of the Essay and of the Report, I may yet remind Mr. Trevelyan that the recent vernacularisation of our Courts has, by sundering the last possible link between sheer English learning and any material local usefulness, doubled the cogency of all arguments like that just used against the feasibility of the presently alleged plan. Neither in the associations nor in the wants of the native society, nor yet in the public or private institutions of the country, is there sufficient *basis* whereon to rest Mr. Trevelyan's argument and scheme.†

With respect to my own suggestion of an establishment devoted to the regular supply of good vernacular books and good vernacular teachers, I have to observe that, if I have not very much overstated the overruling and absorbing importance of the vulgar tongues as media for the communication of all and any knowledge, it will follow, pretty obviously, from the admission of that importance, that to *inchoate* and *organise* a *system* of *vernacularisation* must be the best employment of the small *Educational fund in the hands of Government.*

It is obvious that any such measure as the one just suggested surpasses all individual efforts: but I am very certain that did Government, by the organisation of the college proposed, provide an enduring and wholesome stock of the appliances of popular education, there are hundreds of individuals who would hasten to use and employ that stock (a function quite within their power), in district schools of their own founding. Already and everywhere there is a call for vernacular books and teachers, in very defiance of the Anglicists! Nor need the seemingly Herculean labour of translating our knowledge into the vulgar tongues of India, alarm a rational and unprejudiced person; for, it is just as certain that not one English work in 50,000 would require or even justify translation, as that Hindustani, Hindi and Bengali (and it were folly to

* Viz., the paragraphs in which it is asserted that however exclusive the Committee's patronage of English in the meanwhile, it is all with ultimate views to the formation of a vernacular literature!

† I need hardly remark that Mr. T.'s scheme is the Committee's scheme, and that those who would know what the Committee have done and purpose to do, must consult Mr. T.'s writings.

perpetuate more media) are competent, each and all, to sustain the weight proposed to be laid on them.*

There is another consideration which, whilst it is well worthy of attention in itself, is calculated to show that the extent of necessary translation is by no means such as the enemies of vernacular media have tried to make it. In educating the people of India it should be our object, not so much to imprint in detail all our express thoughts or facts on their minds, as to instil, generally, our *methods of reasoning*, our mathematical and inductive processes, together with that yet small essence of indisputable truths in science, philosophy, and history, which has been eliminated by those processes, and which forms with us, and should do with them, but the starting-point of fresh and vigorous research.

By the one course we should be apt to trammel the Indian intellect for several generations, if not for ever, assuming that we succeeded in conveying to it, *totidem verbis*, our exotic lore: by the other course, we should at once and at small cost of books set it free to take a vigorous but discriminating range over those topical idiosyncrasies of nature and experience which, in every large section of the globe, exist by God's appointment, subject only to man's modification, but not obliteration.

In the most enlightened parts of Europe the general opinion now is that schools for *teachers* have, in the present century, created a new era in the practical science of education. Why then is Government inattentive to so noble and successful an experiment? Especially since there is about this method of normal instruction, or teaching of teachers, just that sort of definiteness which may be compassed by limited public funds, with yet a concomitant prospect of great and diffusive benefits to the country from the adoption of the measure. But work-

* In recently translating Prinsep's Transactions into Hindi, I found no difficulty arising out of the alleged poverty of this vernacular; and I suspect that those who have clamoured most about the feebleness of the Indian vulgar tongues, know as little about the express *facts* as they do about the *inferred* capabilities or rather incapabilities.

Dante found the Italian language cruder than any Indian vernacular now is; and yet this *single man*, by a *single work*, made the vulgar tongue of his country capable of supporting the most sublime, novel, and abstract ideas. Ex uno disce omnes.

men must have tools; and good workmen, good tools: wherefore, to a nursery for the regular supply of competent vernacular *schoolmasters*, should be added one for the equally regular supply of sound *books* in the three prime vulgar tongues of our * Presidency, books embodying the *substance only* of our *really useful* knowledge, with stimuli and directions for the various sorts of mental exertion; so that, in the result, there might exist, for the *people at large*, the easy and obvious *bridge* of the vulgar tongues, leading from exotic principles to local practices, from European theory to Indian experience!

The incalculable importance to the public weal of the bridge just adverted to, even when principles and theories have been chiefly deduced from local experience and practice, is the last and greatest discovery of Western meditation upon the many methods of intellectual culture which have been used by nations in the past 3000 years; and as whatever is *exotic* in theory becomes on that account less easily marriageable with home practices and observations, it is doubly incumbent upon us so to indoctrinate the people of this country, that those who learn may pass from our schools to life with alert, instead of with encumbered, minds.

Again, in laying the foundation of the educational regeneration of this land, it is well worthy of the attention of a forecasting Government to avoid coincidence with existing and most injurious prepossessions.

Now, this land is absolutely saturated with *dead* learning; absolutely bloated with the *false pride of that learning;* so much so, that there is *no* prepossession stronger than that which consigns to contempt all knowledge, however valuable in itself, of which the medium is the vernacular, or, as it is significantly said, the *vulgar* tongues. If, then, in taking our first measures, we actually, though unintentionally, countenance this prejudice, what hope that the people will spontaneously, as is alleged, lay it aside; and will, no sooner than they have imbibed, *vernacularise*, our lore? I see no rational prospect of the kind, and conceive that the old *style* of learning (through exotic media) will perpetuate the old *pride* of learning, be the substance of

* Viz., Urdu, Hindi, and Bengali.

that learning Orient or Occident. I am, too, quite certain that the true mystery of vernacularisation (challenge to *all* minds to think, and to think purpose-like on what comes home to the business and bosoms of the community) must, in that event, continue for ages as much out of the range of Indian contemplation as it now is.

I say that the solution of this mystery, in relation to the *happiness and vigour of nations,* is the last and noblest result of European cogitation upon the general effects of all the various systems of education that have anywhere and at any time prevailed in the world: and by so much as both the *materials* and the *habit of such* cogitations are peculiarly beyond the reach of Asiatics, by so much is it folly in us to assert any such readiness at spontaneous vernacularisation!

Though no admirer of the prima philosophia of the Anglicists, I am yet ready to admit that they are far ahead of the people they would proselyte: and since the former have not yet discovered the sublime mystery (it may well be called so) to which I allude, I cannot subscribe to the doctrine that it is level to the *understanding* or *will* of the latter.

NÉPÁL, *July*, 1837.

LETTER IV.

YOU ask me to give, in a condensed form, my ideas on the general subject of education in India, together with their express application to the proposed Normal College. With regard to the general subject, from much experience of the sentiments and habits of natives, I conclude that the *real uses* of book learning are unknown to them; that they dream not of the great objects of arousing the *many* to think purpose-like on *the actual business of life,* and of making an *easy bridge from theory to practice,* so that the millions shall have a chance of producing a Bacon or a Newton from among their vast number, whilst every practical farmer, trader, and craftsman, is placed within reach of the principles lying at the bottom of his daily toil, and men following

letters as a craft are made to come under the wholesome influence of common sense. *These*, the real objects of national education, are, I think, undreamt of in India, as they were till lately in Europe; and thus I account for the deplorable (as indubitable) fact that natives are habitually neglectful of their mother tongue, and are eager to acquire English, Sanskrit, or Persian, solely for the power or pelf, thence directly derivable by the individual acquirer of one or the other. Now, I consider that if we would benefit India by book learning, it must be as we benefit her by our government and laws—that is, by reaching the many, by discasting book lore or enfranchising it, in fact; and that, with the objects above spoken of, as the only real and sound ones, we should make knowledge the handmaid of everyday utility, and give its acquisition the utmost possible facilities. Such are my wishes, and therefore I give an unlimited preference to a vernacular medium both for its facility and for its aptitude, to make the knowledge conveyed through it practically effective in a beneficial way, and *also* for its diffusible quality, book-knowledge being so apt to pass away from utility, or to be abused as a mere engine of selfish aggrandisement. But though I give the mother tongues of the people the first and second place, I give English the third; and in my Normal College, which is not so much an educational establishment as an indirect means of making all such establishments efficient, I would have the alumni *equally* versed in both tongues—their own and ours. Again, I think that to indigenate a sound literature in India, to kindle a wholesome spirit of knowledge and to fit the spoken tongues of the land for being its organs, are mighty projects that call for express systematic measures, subsidiary to education ordinarily so called, but which alone can make such education valuable and effective; and in my college I want to establish and realise such measures: I want to locate therein a set of able men of the West, who shall be competent to give to India the *essence* of our INDISPUTABLE knowledge; and to associate with them other men of this land, English and native, who, together with them, shall transfer this essence into the vulgar tongues of India in the most attractive and efficient manner, whilst both classes, as professors and originators of the great change, shall have under them a set of pupils, chosen

from the best alumni of all our seminaries, for the express and perpetual purpose of diffusing the labours of the professors, in the capacities of teachers and of translators, and of replacing those professors *gradually* as heads of the college: these alumni to have scholarships and to be devoted for their lives as the pioneers of a new literature; bound to translating within the college, and to teaching abroad; giving their undivided time and talents to indigenate European lore; and being to the usual educational establishments a *perpetual fount for the supply of good books and good teachers.* Well begun is half done, emphatically: let us once set the people of India in the right path, and they will follow it successfully. But to accomplish this we must produce the essence of our indisputable knowledge in the most attractive form, and spread it with systematic skill; the books and the teachers should be excellent: and yet we have in India now not only not either of the desiderata, but no adequate means of reaching them, except through a wasteful series of failures. No man among us is competent to select the very best books and parts of books: no man among us nor institution is competent to furnish the best translation that might be had soon on system: no man among us can set afoot in India, without system, the splendid methods of teaching now in use in Europe. As for the alumni we now raise, it is passing absurd to suppose that they either can or will put their shoulders to the wheel of a radical change in knowledge and education. *We* must *devote* a set of select instruments to that work, making them the pioneers of the new literature, *providing for them for life,* and *binding them to teaching and translating for life.* We must also give them exemplars of what is wanted and how to remedy the defect, in the professors of the central or Normal College, and we must choose those professors from among the really able of England and of India, so that their books and their teaching shall be first-rate, and fitted to set going the vast and noble project of the Europeanisation of the Indian mind. It is idle for any of us in India to fancy we are *masters* of any one branch of science, or that, *not* being so, we can transfuse its essence into Indian tongues in the *most effective mode:* and it is still idler to suppose that our random pupils of ordinary schools will ever, voluntarily and unpaid, devote themselves to the

profitless and painful walks of instruction and literature, either as book makers or book expounders.* Yet we must have the best books best translated; we must have a steady supply of able teachers; we *must* have a corps of native pioneers of the new knowledge; and the professors and alumni of my Normal College are to furnish and to be these; the alumni being provided for well for life and bound for life to letters as their vocation and glory; and the professors, picked men of England and of India, European and native, masters of the most essential branches of knowledge, and capable of attractively transfusing its vital spirit into the spoken tongues of India, through their books and through their alumni, fully trained by them in the art and science of teaching, one of the most noble and most difficult of the arts and sciences and the handmaid of them all, yet supposed "to come naturally" like the Frenchman's discovery of prose! ! *Ecce totum!* behold my college in its professors and its alumni —the latter the normal teachers of any and every school that wants them, and the heirs of the original professors in their own institution whenever fit to direct it. Abroad, these alumni are to teach in English or in the vernaculars (Hindi, Urdu, or Bengali,† and no more), as the institution which sends for them, and for the time pays them, shall please. At home they are to study the genius of both tongues, Western and Eastern, and to labour subordinately as translators or transfusers (in original works as they are able), whilst they resume their scholarship allowance, suspended so long as they were abroad; their constant, suggestive, and useful labours as translators or as teachers preventing idleness or dreamy habits, and their perpetual scholarship being liable to forfeiture for proven indolence, incapacity, or bad conduct.

Let us thus systematically and adequately set to work, and

* These avocations are never remuneratory till the public has become their patrons, and the public will never become so till a close reference to life and its active aims govern letters and education, a result we are just reaching in Europe, slowly and painfully. But yesterday, there, men of letters and teachers were poor and despised! Can you read my riddle now? I want to make literature and education such in India that the native public will become their munificent patrons, and thus anticipate the work of time—of ages lost in India, as in Europe, for want of rational and adequate foundation-laying.

† *N.B.* Our proposed college was suggested for what used to be called the Bengal Presidency. We would, of course, now include any other generally used vernacular.

we shall lay a solid foundation. Let us fiddle-faddle, as at present, and fifty years hence that foundation will have to be laid with a nearly sheer loss of all *ad interim* labours.—Believe me, &c., B. H. HODGSON.

NÉPÁL, *April*, 1843.

P. S. You perceive that the plan above suggested has nothing exclusive about it; that it aims at establishing a really national system of education for the benefit of the mass of the people; that it has an expansive energy about it not inadequate to realise its great end, for it proposes to train only those who as teachers or translators will each of them be a certain nucleus of knowledge whence it may reach hundreds; that it proposes to supply the two great wants of good books and good teachers, and that in laying an adequate foundation for the efficient working of education all over the land, it reconciles the policy of upholding deep lore with the necessity of adequate facilities, in regard to the general diffusion of such lore by giving the learned tongues of East and West to the lifelong student, and the best fruits of their study to the many in the shape of improved vernacular instruction. Such an institution seems to deserve the attention of the conductors of education: for though Lord Hardinge's measures may result in supplying the country with an able body of native functionaries, they seem little calculated to meet the wants of the mass of the people, their design indeed being to meet those of the Government only.

LETTER V.

SIR,—As you have recently noticed the new edition of my Letters on Education, I take leave through your journal to call public attention to two striking historical confirmations of the great principle I have contended for; viz., that if European knowledge is to be indigenated in India, and brought home effectively through the medium of the vernaculars to the business and bosoms of the many in this vast country, itself so anciently lettered and cultivated, the object can only be attained by systematic preliminary measures, which must precede all educational labours in the ordinary sense, and which alone can

make such labours fructify in India. The historical facts I allude to are as follows:—

First. When it was proposed to transfer the Buddhist religion and literature from India to Tibet, that is, to indigenate Indian ideas in a soil entirely alien to them, how was this most difficult design set about, so as to ensure that perfect success which has given an entirely new character to the fierce Nomades of High Asia? Why, a college of translators was created, and a set of ripe scholars (Lotsava), men of India and Tibet, were devoted to the work, and directed, first, to bring together all the leading terms, or terminology, of the subject in the original Sanskrit, and next to ascertain and fix adequate equivalents for each of those Sanskrit terms in the language of Tibet; which was ordained to be the medium of conveying the new light.

And those glossaries of equivalents exist to this hour, perpetual monuments of the good sense and sincerity, the adequacy and sound direction of exertion, whereby the greatest moral change that Asia has ever known was accomplished on the soil where it was first attempted, and whence it has been since similarly propagated (such is the expansive vigour of wholesome projects) throughout the vast extent of Central Asia, everywhere transforming the immemorial devastators of the earth into settled, peaceful agriculturists and shepherds! Now, if we consider, on the one hand, the great difficulties opposed to the success of this project by the totally different character and genius of the Cis and Trans-Himalayan tongues and ideas, and, on the other hand, the enduring completeness of that success, in a field, too, where Christianity itself with an excellent start yet failed * to achieve anything beyond an ephemeral triumph, we must, if impressible at all, be strongly impressed by this first historical instance of the value of adequate preliminaries in the case of every great project of change and reform. I proceed now to the other instance.

Second. When the Chinese towards the close of the last century had established their political dominion as far west as the Belúr Tágh, they were forced by the sad experience of repeated failures upon the reflection how much easier it is to overrun and

* The last relics of the Christian missions of High Asia have just been recovered and transmitted to his Holiness the Pope.

subdue, than to retain peacefully, and administer successfully, territories inhabited by numerous races differing widely from each other and from their conquerors in language as in other points. In order to master the difficulties that beset the Chinese, how did this sagacious nation proceed? They assembled able men of the several vanquished tribes, Tungus, Mongol, Turk, Tangutian and Tibetan; and these persons they caused to construct a pentaglot (answering to the five grand distinctions of nations) glossary of all the chief geographic, topographic, and administrative terms, in the shape of a table of equivalents which was completed by a Chinese column, leaving no one material topical feature or administrative function, though cited by whatever people, thereafter liable to possible misconstruction on the part of the Government or of its servants or subjects; the language of administration being at the same time ordained to be the vernacular of each grand ethnical division of the country. The Chinese dominion, theretofore, precarious in High Asia, has since the completion of this wise measure been stably fixed; nor does any one conversant with those countries doubt that this stability has been and is greatly owing to the wisdom of my second instance of the value of deliberate adequate preliminaries to every great change. These polyglot official glossaries of the Chinese have lately fallen into the hands of European scholars: a Guizot has paused over the political sagacity which suggested their compilation; a Klaproth, a Rémusat, a Julien and a Humboldt* have thence learned to deal effectively, as philosophers, with that same confused mass of human kind which had priorly so frustrated the efforts of the Chinese as statesmen. I will not weaken the force of these historical examples by a single word of commentary, but go on to point the moral of my tales, by remarking that the prevalent mere lip tribute to the value of the vernaculars, I for one repudiate as a mischievous delusion. We are told that the vernaculars now at least are allowed fair play, and are on their trial.† I deny it utterly, and maintain that the experiment of educating

* Vide Asia Polyglotta, Mémoires rèlatifs à l'Asie, Mélanges Asiatiques et Asie Centrale.

† A distinguished and valued member of the Education Committee lately told me so, himself convinced that the fact was as stated. Happily he now has some pregnant doubts.

the people of India in their own tongues *never* can have fair play, never can have a chance, until those preliminary measures are carried out upon which alone vernacular education must rest as its foundation. What those measures are, and how they should be effected, are points explained in the fourth letter with the utmost care and precision; and for my part, from much recent correspondence with the most experienced men in the interior, I am convinced that thus, or thus wise, only, can vernacular education be furnished with the "indispensable prerequisites of an adequate steady supply of good books and good teachers." Let vernacularisation be but accepted in good faith and truth, and those who shall be nominated to effect the object will, I trust, not be slow to adopt the sage measure of the Tibetans and Chinese as above described; for that is obviously the first right move on the right road; and that vernacularisation *is* the right road, and the only right road, what better proofs can be asked for, or given, than the two signal ones just cited? None! None! But honest acceptance and adequate inchoation are indispensable to the success of any and every project; and what these mean, in the project before us, let my historical examples tell!

The same correspondence has likewise deepened my prior conviction as to the prevalent notion that Lord Hardinge's measures will result in furnishing at least a "superior class of subordinate native functionaries." That notion is founded upon want of intimate information of the interior economy of this country. In India the rights and duties of all classes have long been minutely systematised and reduced to written forms of the most complex kind.* And this complicity of its relations and records, added to the circumstance of its having been for ages under the dominion of foreigners very little really versed in those relations and records, has given rise to a vast class of subordinate functionaries, whose astonishing practical readiness alone it is that, in the absence of such helps as mechanical science (printing) and other European devices (shorthand, &c.), lend in Europe to the daily transaction of business, keeps the Indian administrative machine in motion.

* I beg to refer the stranger to the Ayin-i Akbari and Gladwin's Revenue accounts, both forthcoming in English.

Now our new aspirants to office know nothing of the wheel within wheel of this machine, and still less are they able to work the machine with that prompt facility which results from a life devoted to that sole task. Whilst the old class are toiling in their vocation from youth upwards, and thus slowly attaining that exquisite skill in details which needs only the general knowledge of Europeans for purposes of superintendence, the new class are learning Shakespeare and Milton, Bacon and Newton; and with that sort of training only they are despatched into the interior to become officials, possessed of but a poor and mimicked semblance of *our* own peculiar knowledge, *though purchased at the expense of* all their *own!* Yet it is expected that grave men, responsible for the weal of the country, should prefer the claims to office of one of these young parrots to the claims of persons growing grey in the constant discharge of the complex peculiar duties of this all-important body of functionaries, the professional scribes of the East, upon whose shoulders from time immemorial has ever rested the real burden of administration.* If justice did not forbid such supercession, expedience would: the Europeans cannot possibly dispense with the old class of functionaries; cannot possibly get through the work with the help of the new class: and thus the scheme which looks so well at Calcutta, finds no serious approver or adopter in the interior. Inquire, Mr. Editor, and I think you will find the matter so; reflect, and you will have the rational of the fact. But then if the fact be so,—I pray you tell me whether the metropolitan expectation of *thus* creating a new and superior class of native functionaries (not to speak of *thus* indigenating a new knowledge †) be not a mere delusion? Young Bengal is notoriously malcontent; and for my part I cannot help thinking that the dilettante as well as exotic character of the steps we have taken in the educational department

* In all ages in the East, wise China excepted, the *noblesse de l' épé*, the nobles and gentry or dominant classes, have been haughty and ignorant contemners of letters; and this explains at once the low rank and high qualifications of the subordinate functionaries, whose qualifications *we* are certainly in no condition to dispense with, and are unwise to suffer dilettante educationists to tamper with, even for a moment. What is to become of the country if the subordinate functionaries be allowed to become as vaguely conversant with its intimate affairs as are now the superior functionaries?

† Risum teneatis, amici!

could not have had any other result than that of sending forth a host of grandiloquent grumblers, as able to clamour as unable to work. What has been taught them has as little reference to the real work before the scholars when they set foot in the world of business, to the living wants and affairs, public or private, of the land they live in, as has the language in which that teaching has been conveyed; and we have in these doings a fresh and glaring proof of the "inevitable tendency of unvernacular media to divorce learning from utility." I know nothing so like it as those contemporaneous Encyclopedic labours which have reproduced for the benefit of India the childish fables just exploded by the scholars of Europe! ! Let me add, I have no desire or purpose to speak harshly, but only to impress the necessity for deliberately building on right foundations. I honour all the labourers in the vineyard of philanthropy. But the grand projects of Europeanising the Indian mind, and of meeting the practical wants of this land and day, by educational means, are, and will be, retarded, not advanced, by misdirected unsystematised efforts. Considering how little difference of opinion exists upon these points among men of the highest experience in the interior, it has been remarked to me with surprise how singular it is that Calcutta has not yet begun to suspect the unsoundness of her favourite educational maxims. But there is no room, alas! for surprise, nor much for blame; and so long as *amour propre* holds its usual sway in human affairs, so long will Calcutta be biassed against every vernacular view of the education question, and in favour of every English one: for at Calcutta the great body of influential men, influential from their stations, their talents, and their knowledge, are, have been, and must continue to be, strangers to India, and of course (like all human kind) inclined favourably towards all such projects relating to the commonwealth as may consist with their predominant weight of opinion and judgment thereon, and by the same rule averse from all such projects touching the commonwealth as may *not* consist with that same predominant weight.—This is plain speaking: but in a matter of such vast moment, I trust that it will be pardoned and even profited by. Since this letter was commenced I have seen the last report of the Education Committee.

The President in Council is made to deplore the wretched state of vernacular education and to censure tartly its nominal controllers. But I would ask, Can a carriage go without wheels? Can a workman labour without tools? Can a work advance without workmen or tools? And if not, how can vernacular education advance without books, without teachers, and without any arrangement to furnish either, even prospectively? Yet it is now said that "the vernaculars are allowed a fair trial;" and I foresee it will ere long be said that "the trial has proved a failure." What is now doing is doing nearly in sheer waste, at the rate of 15,000 per annum. That sum, multiplied by the number of years since I backed a proposition of an institution that was to furnish a steady adequate supply of good books and good teachers with the tender of 35,000 Rs. raised by private subscription, would by this time have sufficed to place vernacular education, the one grand stay of a nation's intellectual life, upon an indestructible basis!

The English department of education has obtained a Normal School, that is the means of procuring abundance of good teachers, whilst abundance of good books were, from the circumstances of the case, priorly forthcoming in this department. On the other hand, the vernacular department is kept devoid of organised means of procuring either of these appliances of education. And yet it is clear to demonstration that in the former department there was *not* any indispensable necessity for creative machinery, since books and teachers were forthcoming without it, whilst in the latter department it is as clear that there *was* and *is* that indispensable necessity, since neither books nor teachers were, are, or can be, forthcoming without it. That is, where little or no need existed, much has been done; and where the utmost need, nothing! And, to cap the contrast, the former state of things respects the case of the comparatively able and greedy few, the latter, that of the wholly helpless many, among the objects of these partial proceedings!

Let me add, in conclusion, that in the above two historical examples it has been my more immediate object to show how *sincere* approvers of vernacularisation *proceed to effectuate it.* But the examples equally demonstrate the intrinsic value and

power of vernacular media: and, if more historic illustration of the latter point be sought, it may be found in the diffusion of Buddhism in India, and in the character of Chinese, as compared with every other Asiatic, mental culture. Why are the Chinese so remarkable as a people for their good sense, and their Government for its stability, in the fantastic and mutable East? Because *their* knowledge, and *their* knowledge *only*, is vernacular! How did the Buddhists, despite the drawbacks of their mischievous monachism and their sceptical speculative principles, yet contrive to assail and carry the strongholds of Brahmanism, and for fifteen centuries to maintain the ground they had won—*the sole successful assailants of Hinduism to this hour!* Why, expressly by vernacularisation! by teaching and preaching in the vulgar tongues, and by opposing this method of indoctrination to the anti-vernacular instructions of their rivals! These are two remarkable instances of the power and value of living learning as opposed to dead, and, with the other two before cited, embrace the citation of the efficient cause of every great moral change and lasting benefit the East has known.—Yet this is the infant Hercules to which the Education Committee plays the part of the cruel stepmother.

B. H. HODGSON.

DARJEELING, "Friend of India," *March* 16, 1848.

LETTER VI.

VERNACULAR EDUCATION.

SIR,—I have read with attention your remarks upon the subject of education, as called forth by my letter to you which you published in your paper of the 16th instant. No one is better aware than yourself that all practical reforms of moment proceed on the *gutta cavat lapidem* principle. Wherefore I shall make no apology for recurring to this most important topic.

I am very anxious not to be misunderstood upon the point of education in the English language, to which you and others

seem to fancy me entirely opposed. And yet so far is this from being the case, that I can as little sympathise as you can with any wish to abandon the support of English education "for those who are able to profit by it;" and I am surprised that you should have inferred anything to the contrary from my writings. Credit me, the only questions on which you and I are at issue, are, *Who* are those likely to profit by such studies? and *How* shall we enable them *really* to reap the benefit with due regard to the educational claims of the masses? For the rest, and speaking as an individual about what an individual may and can do in his own humble sphere in reference to the weal of millions, I beg leave to say distinctly that I have throughout my Indian career uniformly given all the support in my power to the study of English by all those who were *at all likely* to profit by it; that at Kathmandu I took ceaseless pains, for many years, to make two persons, selected by the Minister Bhim Sen for the purpose, competent English scholars, and to induce them to establish a school for the instruction of the sons of the Bharadars or chiefs; that Karbir Khatri, one of the two selected teachers, is yet forthcoming to bear witness by his attainments to the unwearied pains bestowed on him, though the political convulsions of Népál since my departure have had the necessary effect of closing his school; and, lastly, that though my employment as a diplomatic functionary in foreign realms necessarily restricted my exertions to promote the study of our language in the British territories, yet have I done whatever I could there also. Only so lately as last month I sent a present of books to the eldest son of the Rajah of Bettiah in testimony of my approbation of his continued application to English, according to my suggestion to him and his father in 1843. And I have always, where opportunity permitted, given similar advice and encouragement to our substantial Zamindars along the whole extended frontier of Népál. So much for acts. Then for writings; is not the practical result deduced from my reasonings the suggestion of an institution, all the professors and alumni of which are to be thorough English scholars, perpetually engaged, as teachers, translators, and transfusers, in works the whole conception and execution of which imply and exact a complete mastery of our language, and also an assiduous

diffusion of its stores, directly and indirectly, according to the wants and demands of the country? This, sir, is very careful provision for profitable English studies — more careful and effective, too, than I can perceive in the present system! And such having been the tenor of my doings and sayings (I must crave pardon for such egotistic allusion to them), I think I may claim as clear an exemption as yourself from the absurd character of an exclusionist; and if any detached part of my writings, which extend over a period of fifteen years, seems to countenance such an imputation, you must remember, sir, that this vast topic has many parts and aspects; that I commenced this discussion in opposition to real and violent exclusives; * and that when a very undue bias has been laid on one side, the equilibrium cannot well be restored without some apparently undue weighting of the other scale. What I *first* complained of—and with reason, as you have often affirmed—was the proscription alike of the learning and of the living languages of the country. What I have *since* complained of, and still do—and again with reason, as you have often admitted and yet do—is a practical adherence to this same proscription, only veiled from scrutiny at present by various unfair devices, such as merely ostensible concessions, barren lip service, antagonistic projects pushed the length of virtual nullification of all things else, and, lastly, damning with faint praise. Is this exaggeration? Let us see. The system of education adverted to, is that dictated by authority and supported by the public funds. It is the only thing like national education which we possess, and it is uniformly styled *the* system of education of the country. Well! the country has some seventy millions of inhabitants; and, whilst nine-tenths of the whole educational funds derived from the seventy millions and designed for the seventy millions' benefit, are appropriated to the training of "2000 actual, and 5000 prospective scholars" in the English department, the remaining fraction of those funds is all that is allotted to the countless host who are concerned solely with the efficiency of the vernacular department. The one hundred schools nominally

* Remember the denunciation of native literature in the "waste paper" edict, and of the living tongues, on all sorts of occasions, as being impracticably numerous and irredeemably inefficient—a style of talk which, by the way, still lingers in some places, and, it may be, in high ones, though no longer enunciated ex cathedra.

assigned to the vernacular department have necessarily, under such circumstances, been "starved to death;" and whilst additional funds were and are being constantly assigned to the English department, in order to give the highest perfection to its books and its teachers, the official controllers of the vernacular schools have been in vain reporting the utter and complete want of those indispensable appliances of education (teachers and books) in all our seminaries for the many. But this is not all; for, whilst the actual and necessary expenses of teaching in the English department are from ten to twenty times as great as in the other department, the injudicious selection and disposal of the recipients of this very costly training necessitate a total waste of the money in reference to "four-fifths" of those taught, because that large proportion of them does not, and cannot, acquire more than a "useless smattering which they can turn to no account." And all this, sir, has had and has place under the auspices of those who profess to have solely in view the fostering and founding of home-bred learning, "the formation of a vernacular literature," according to the memorable Report of 1837 ! ! ! I quote the very words of that Report, leaving the task of comment thereon to you. The above statistics, sir, are derived from yourself: they are also conformable to my own knowledge; and with regard to the last important point, or the class of pupils in the English department, I say, let all such gentlemen as are now subject to the delusion that these pupils belong to the highest or to the central grade of native society, call for the muster rolls and interrogate the boys, when they will find that these boys, with hardly an exception, belong most distinctly to neither of those grades, and consequently are *not* amongst those whom the *decus et decorum* of English literature can for one moment be rationally supposed to befit. This is the reason why "four-fifths" (you should have said nine-tenths) of those who are instructed in English, are taught to no earthly purpose, are taught in sheer waste, though at such an extreme cost as to entail necessary helplessness in the vernacular department. And it is because there is nothing in the existing institutions or wants of native society at all in harmony with *such* attainments on the part of *such* persons, that the Education Committee have been driven, by the clamour of their élèves,

to seek to thrust them all upon the Government, *lest they should starve!* In my last letter I have given my reasons for the opinion I entertain that this expedient—the last plank of Anglomania—will fail. I may now add that with its failure will come a material augmentation of that significant "discontent" which is certainly at present a far more palpable characteristic of Young Bengal, of the Chukerbutties, or Cameronians, as I hear the youths are now dubbed, than is any real tincture of the mind and heart of Europe on their part.

Else, what means the pitiful insincerity of the demonstrations they were lately led (unwisely led) to make in behalf of their most amiable and able, though on this point deluded, patrons? I note the hollowness of those demonstrations as one of the signs of the times! What, sir, say you to this sign? or to that other associated sign, to wit, the proven indifference of the native community, generally, for what they were asserted so authoritatively to take deep and real interest in, namely, the fashionable educational follies of the day?

I most earnestly desire to see the upper, wealthy, and influential classes of native society instructed in English: but those classes have not sent, nor are likely to send, *as you well know*, one single child to our schools; nor, if they did, could much be looked for from those "children of ease" in the way of such severe and abiding labours as can alone originate "the regenerating and elevating of the nation," though English may well serve to grace their rank, refine their taste, and facilitate their social intercourse with their masters.

Look to those whose names are now associated with the revival of letters in Europe, and you will find that the pioneers of knowledge in our quarter of the globe were all men of life-long devotion to incredible toils! Now, the more carefully I advert to the constitution and spirit of native society in India —and I have studied them for a quarter of a century—the deeper becomes my conviction, that this indispensable corps of pioneers will never pick up any effective recruits among the impatient class of paupers craving only for office, which singly and solely fills our English schools. From the same premises I deduce the further conclusions that men of a higher independent stamp will neither seek our schools, nor, if they did so,

would they perform the required work. And thence, sir, I derive my general conception as to what English teaching is likely to prove profitable to the recipient or the public, as well as my special impression of the value of the corps above adverted to. But that corps must, according to the same premises, be raised, trained, recruited, equipped, and employed as a standing body, by ourselves, with enduring adherence to the lofty end in view, and in some such manner as I have indicated in my fourth letter, my object, as therein explained, being to reconcile the interests of deep lore (the implanting of a novel and healthful stock of learning) with the current claims of ordinary education, and to ensure satisfactory results by providing that both purposes shall be adequately and harmoniously worked out without waste. That you should have found anything savouring of the rejection of *profitable* English studies in that letter, I confess, surprises me not a little; for my only rejection is of studies almost wholly profitless, yet eating up all our educational funds! Nor less is my wonder that with such just ideas as you entertain of the greatness and difficulty of the objects aimed at, and of the consequent necessity there exists for a "Normal vernacular school, well-trained vernacular teachers, a vernacular library, —and a travelling inspector of vernacular seminaries"—you should have anything to object to my proposition: for, sir, in very truth, the desiderata you have enumerated (in the above quotation) comprise the substance of whatever I have contended for for years, or do now still contend for! My proposition is only so far peculiar that it also involves the exposition of definite adequate means to the ends you insist upon, but insist with hardly admissible oblivion of that excessively wasteful antagonism inseparable from the dominant system, which, so long as that system stands on its present footing, must render all the professions of its partizans in favour of vernacularisation a delusion and a snare. All I say of instruction in English is, that its extreme costliness and no less extreme inappropriateness to ordinary uses, prescribe its employment at the public cost* in a special, instead of a general or pro-

* Observe the limitation, at the public cost. For the rest, if there be any real spontaneous demands for an education in "Shakespeare and Milton, Bacon and Newton," private schools of that stamp will flourish, and I heartily wish them

miscuous manner, as at present; and this, as well to ensure efficient or profitable study as to prevent such excessive waste of funds as has heretofore totally crippled, and must still do so, that sort of education which alone is suitable to ordinary wants and therefore primarily entitled to public support.

If, sir, you can persuade the Government to double or quadruple the funds appropriated to education, then I am content to see the present system in the English department "go hand in hand" with such a system in the vernacular department as you have sketched. But if you cannot so persuade the Government, then, sir, it behoves you to consider whether the existing *inevitable as total* sacrifice of the latter to the former, be defensible; for the two are demonstrably incompatible, without a vast addition to the funds now assigned to the promotion of education by the State. I, sir, expect no such addition; and as I know that under the existing constitution of native society men of rank and wealth will never send their children to our schools but abide by domestic education, whilst I feel convinced that in regard to the only sort of children frequenting our schools, so costly, difficult, and peculiar an education as that now in vogue, can neither yield its appropriate fruits in ripe maturity, nor yet find any adequate market for those fruits even if matured,* I would grant no such an education at the public cost to the promiscuous herd of comers, but only to such persons as would consent to thorough training and to the dedication of their rare attainments to the permanent service of the public as normal teachers and translators. Such, sir, is my proposition, and such the grounds of it.

B. H. HODGSON.

DARJEELING, 28*th March* 1848.

success. But their success is too problematical, their sphere of possible utility too restricted, and their necessary cost too enormous, to warrant the primary or general application of that system, at the public cost, to the necessary annihilation of all effective teaching in the only style suited to the ordinary wants of the people.

* On this point see above, p. 317, f., showing by comparison what means an effective demand for exotic learning.

LETTER VII.

SIR,—In your issue of the 28th ult., you have some observations on Mr. Hodgson's letters on education, in the general tenor of whose views you concur, but say that some of his doctrines are repugnant to your judgment. If, however, you will look more closely into the treatise, you will find that there is really no difference between you and it, for Mr. Hodgson not only does not eschew English, but purposes special and costly means for its cultivation. Mr. Hodgson distinguishes between education for the many—education in any ordinary sense, and all those subsidiary measures which, however connected with the general question as it occurs for consideration and decision in India, yet really belong rather to the literary than educational phase of the question. Mr. Hodgson desires to make ordinary education for the many efficient, and extraordinary education for the few no less efficient. He considers the English language and its higher literature to be fit only for the few, and that studies so difficult cannot possibly yield their appropriate fruit without adequate and special provision for their enduring and effective prosecution. But he holds that neither in the wants of native society nor in the resources at the disposal of our Government, is there anything like a foundation for such costly and enduring studies as the ordinary system of education; that therefore any *general* system for their prosecution must prove a failure, at the same time that it *absorbs all the funds that are available;* and he would therefore limit such studies, so far as they depend on public support, in such a way as to conform with existing wants and means; whilst whatever is learnt is learnt adequately, and these special studies of the few are made perpetually to minister to the universally allowed requirements of instruction for the many.

I think Mr. Hodgson is right in insisting that to create a fresh literary spirit in India requires a special body of pioneers of the new learning; and also that the improvement of the vernaculars is indispensable to the efficient working of the most ordinary system of vernacular education: inquire and you will find that vernacular education is languishing to death for want of books and

teachers: inquire again and you will find that the Chakerbutty class of promiscuous smatterers in European languages and lore, neither do nor can make any efficient use of their acquirements. Now, Mr. Hodgson's plan ensures the steady prosecution of English studies to a point that will enable them to yield their appropriate fruit; and that fruit is to assume systematically a shape and flavour suited to the popular stomach. The lifelong teachers and translators—the pioneers of the new literature—are to be equally accomplished in our and their learning—are to study English throughout their learned lives—are to teach in English whenever required so to do—are to translate and transfuse from English whenever not employed in teaching; and thus, while their own adequate studies and teachings must tend effectively to the propagation of a knowledge so difficult as that of our language and literature, the people—the many—will be perpetually reaping all the advantage from such knowledge that they are now capable of; and in this way our noble language and literature will be gradually and surely worked more and more into the frame of the Indian mind. Mr. Hodgson contends only for *adequacy* of study and due regard to the *general* wants and means of *existing society*.—Yours, &c.,

VERNACULARIS.

February 10, 1848.

LETTER VIII.

VERNACULAR EDUCATION.

SIR,—I have attentively followed the course of your recent lucubrations on the education question, as afresh stirred by Mr. Hodgson's letters; and I should probably ere this have attempted a rejoinder had not your rather eccentric movements rendered the task difficult. To avoid labour in waste it seems indispensable to revert to the state of the question.

Now, sir, the subject of debate is at present, and has been for twelve years past, this—Is the existing exclusive patronage of English by the Education Committee, "with a view to the formation of a vernacular literature" (Report of 1836), wisely conceived

and honestly worked out? Or, does it sin against wisdom in origin and fair dealing in progress? Such, I say, has been, and is, the state of the question; and therefore you, who ridicule the very idea of the formation of a vernacular literature, are not precisely in a position to judge reasonably of the aptness or otherwise of those historical illustrations of Mr. Hodgson, which necessarily assume the question as it really is, and not as *you conceive* it is, or ought to be. This, sir, is a long-standing debate upon a most extensive topic; and if, as would seem, the controversy be new to you, I would recommend your consulting Mr. Trevelyan's treatise or Mr. Macaulay's minute, in connection with the statistics and reports of the department, when I conjecture you may discover that Mr. Hodgson's array of facts and reasonings against the ruling system of education has a pertinency you are now little aware of. I say, sir, I so conjecture, and I will tell you why: because you have never approved Mr. Cameron's parting address to his alumni, nor yet, that Chakerbuttyism with which your city is plagued—said addresses being nothing but a *rifacimento* of the doctrines I have just referred you to, and said Chakerbuttyism nothing but the characteristic and inevitable result of those doctrines—doctrines to which, I need but add, Mr. Cameron has remorselessly sacrificed* any and every system of vernacular instruction, as well the system which you contend for, as that Mr. Hodgson has advocated!

You will observe, sir, that the Education Committee's end, and Mr. Hodgson's end, are one and the same; viz., the formation of a vernacular literature, or the literary application of the spoken tongues of India to the substance of European knowledge. Now, this end may be wise or it may be foolish: you and I cannot discuss that point at present. But I think you must allow that, if the wisdom of the end be granted, the Committee's practical means of realising it are as unfit as Mr. Hodgson's are fit! What can we reason but from what we know? Well, we know by the uniform tenor of the Committee's doings for fifteen years past, that the vernaculars are utterly and hopelessly neglected, sacrificed to a vehement determination to push English

* Take a recent item as a sample of all; establishment for normal teaching, English department 900 rupees; vernacular department 50 rupees—that is, 18 to 1 against the latter.

all lengths and primarily. Thence Mr. Hodgson infers want of judgment and want of sincerity on the Committee's part; and his suggestion for the promotion of vernacularisation amounts to this, primary, direct, systematic, and adequate but *not exclusive* attention to the object professedly aimed at. And now, sir, if you revert to Mr. Hodgson's recent historical illustrations, you will find them, I think, sufficiently pertinent; for what are they? Four signal instances, drawn from Asiatic story, of the vigour and efficacy of living tongues, no more cultivated than those of modern India, as instruments for the successful diffusion of knowledge, two of the instances being, further, successful exemplifications on the largest scale of that very method of procedure in the effectuation of the object for which Mr. Hodgson contends! Now, sir, *quot homines tot sententiæ:* you and I and others may differ till doomsday as to the efficacy of transfused knowledge, as to the best method of transfusion, or as to the adequacy of the express channel or medium of transfusion in the given case. But, sir, it is because such differences of individual opinion on points so weighty are as inevitable as they are obstructive, that adequate precedents—prerogative instances, as Bacon would have called them, of the soundness of what an individual may urge, become so valuable: and where shall we find those overruling precedents save in history? And with all due submission I take leave to say that the diffusion of Buddhism throughout High Asia, and the stabilitation of Chinese dominion there, are, as stated by Mr. Hodgson, in all the recorded circumstances and results of either event, signal demonstrations both of the feasibility and of the desirableness of Mr. Hodgson's proposed means and end, in reference to the diffusion of European lore through the medium of the vulgar tongues of India. The historical illustrations, sir, are instances of direct, systematic, combined, and authoritative measures of vernacularisation, conducted by a body of men skilled thoroughly in the transfusing and transfused media, commenced by that most admirable step, the fixation of the true equivalency of the leading and essential terms,* and completed and applied over vast realms with perfect success. Now, Mr.

* If you will refer to the reports of the Delhi and Benares Colleges, you will find specific lament over the perpetual obstructions caused by the want of these glossaries of primary equivalents.

Hodgson had priorly contended for directness, system, combination, and authoritative support and sanction in this very way, as essential to the success of vernacularisation; had denounced the total absence of every one of these characteristics in the Committee's plan of vernacularisation, as inevitably nullificatory of the alleged end: and depend upon it, sir, you must resort to some one of your own hypotheses, damnatory of *that end*, ere you can blemish the pertinency of Mr. Hodgson's historical proofs; for proofs they are, and not merely illustrations; and when I add that they likewise furnish the strongest presumptions against one and all of your hypotheses, I but state without exaggeration the full force and effect of the two historical facts more specially rested on. Those hypotheses of yours are, that translated knowledge is valueless, and that the spoken tongues of India from their feebleness and plurality are impracticable media for the communication of the knowledge of Europe. I will not irk you by further insisting upon the demonstration involved in the historical instances, all the four, of the fallacy of both your assumptions. I will, instead thereof, refer you to the opinions and the practices of the most eminent men in the educational department—the workmen, I mean, not the talkers—beyond the ditch; and I answer you, without fear of refutation that the Reports and the works of the Principals of the Benares, Delhi, and (I think also) Dacca Colleges gainsay your assertions—one and the other of them—with all the irresistible authority of ample direct experience supported by correspondent realising labours. These most able men, equally familiar with Western and Eastern learning, whilst they contend for systematic improvement of the vernaculars considered as organs of European knowledge, uphold by word and deed their improvability to any needful extent; Dr. Ballantyne expressly arguing that "he who cannot convey a European idea through the vernaculars, in conjunction with their founts, may very well suspect that he himself possesses only the shadow, not the substance, of such idea," and all three agreeing that for every practical purpose there are throughout the vast Bengal Presidency but three* vulgar tongues. What say you, sir, to such opinions of such men as

* Each of these languages is spoken by a population far more numerous than that using English in Britain! What is your answer to this fact?

Drs. Ballantyne and Sprenger? And with regard to the innumerable tongues you are fain to talk of—fifty to wit—how comes it that you are insensible to the broad fact that whilst the administrations of justice, revenue, and police are avowedly vernacular, only three tongues are used in our courts? Wherefore, then, more in our schools? In a word, sir, if you can spare time to look into the whole matter a little more calmly and clearly, I feel convinced you will not again consent to re-echo the old exploded cry of the Anglomaniacs against *all sorts* of vernacular instruction—yours alike and Mr. Hodgson's—to wit, that the living tongues of the people are so numerous and so feeble as to be presently and prospectively unavailable.

I proceed now briefly to notice one or two heresies more peculiarly your own. You insist that learning for the masses ought to be confined to the merest elements of knowledge, conveyed in the unaltered spoken tongues of those masses; and you instance the example of England—of Europe—in support of this notable maxim. But, sir, you are therein citing an exemplar really and deplorably irrelevant, as, without more recondite research, you may satisfy yourself by turning to the "Edinburgh Review," No. 174, Article 10, and to the "Westminster," No. 95, Article 8, or to the "Calcutta Review," No. 16, p. 303 *et seq.* Your notion that the unimproved language of the masses can be employed at all for educational purposes is a fallacy of which you will be aware if you reflect that the most imperfect colloquial medium (even that of brutes) may very well serve for its customary colloquial ends, and yet prove totally unequal to a new end, such as education, according to any sane conception of it, is and must be. And, accordingly, whilst the opinion and the practice of all the enlightened parts of Europe are daily becoming more decided and consentaneous as to the indispensable necessity of education for the masses of a sort very superior to what you insist is enough, the novel extended measures of popular education now rapidly bringing into operation in Switzerland, England, Holland, Prussia, and Scotland, are expressly based upon the *proven worthlessness* of sheer elements, attempted to be communicated, as of old, through so utterly inadequate a medium as the unfashioned speech of the many.

Of all this you will find abundant and various confirmation in the recent educational doings of Europe, as cited and referred to in the periodicals above-named; and I think, sir, you will be a little startled to find, upon perusal of the articles specified, that you have recklessly put forth an educational dogma upon alleged European warranty than which none is more utterly and expressly repudiated by all the best and latest words and deeds of Europe! "A total reform" of that old apparatus of popular teaching to which you cling is there "imperatively called for;" and in the recent "Peoples' Colleges" at Sheffield and at Birmingham we have ("Westminster," No. 95, p. 437, 8) express samples of that sort of education for the *working classes* which is now deemed to be alone efficacious for them; and so deemed all over enlightened Europe, as you may learn from Cousin's Reports.

Your notion, however, of elemental education for the masses seems rather vague; for you now insist that it should be limited to "sheer reading, writing, and accounts," and anon you require that the masses aforesaid should be instructed "how best to turn their time and talents to account in industrial pursuits and mechanical arts," and that they should also "be made acquainted with the history of their own country." I agree with you in these latter conceptions, so far as they go. But I ask you, sir, whether such ends can by possibility be achieved or attempted in the unfashioned colloquials of the vulgar? And, again, whether the attainment of the former end does not most expressly imply and exact, not only cultivation of the Indian vernaculars, but the conveyance into them by translation and transfusion of European knowledge?

You cannot, I should say, avoid answering these questions so as to make you well nigh a convert to Mr. Hodgson's plan of vernacularisation; for where, save in the stores of European knowledge, will you find any portion of that lore which turns the peasant into a Briareus, the craftsman into a magician, the trader into an instrument of Providence for the practical diffusion of "peace and good-will upon earth," and the farmer into a servant and interpreter of Nature, performing miracles of production merely by right interpretation of her occult signs? I love to dwell upon this special phase of a vast topic, and with

reference to it I pray you to observe, that in order to render this fine country capable of supporting full and adequate European administration (it is now not half administered) we *must* call forth the industrial energies of the people; that beyond doubt we can do so only by communicating largely and freely the substance of our special and recent knowledge;* that that communication can be effected solely through the ready and familiar channel of the native languages, duly improved and systematically applied to that object; and that the substance of all our really useful and indisputable knowledge *can* be most efficiently conveyed to the masses through that channel! You speak, sir, as if *all* translation must prove "useless, impossible, mischievous:" and yet you are a Protestant Christian, knowing what the translation of the Bible has done!—and yet you are a scholar who cannot have failed to learn that "in the consentaneous judgment of the highest minds of Europe the vernacularisation of learning did more there in disabusing the general intellect of the prejudices of existing institutions and opinions, than all the rest of the glorious events and discoveries of that age which witnessed it, including among those events the invention of printing!"—and yet you are a gentleman of the press, and by the special power of the instrument you daily wield should be prepared to recognise the *perfectly analogous* diffusive vigour of vernacularisation! Why, then, write and speak in the style and spirit of 150 years back, as if all these things were beyond your ken? and as if that sound knowledge, which is the common product and inheritance of all the race of man,† were inseparably connected with this or that particular language? Why, sir, I have but to raise my head from the paper I am now driving my quill over to see opposite me on the shelves of a moderate library fifty books of History, Political Economy, Literature, Philosophy and Science, so translated that their whole treasures of original knowledge are completely secured in the traduction, one-half of them, moreover, preserving unimpaired all the manner as well as matter of the originals! E grege, Sabine's Cosmos, of which the second part has just reached me. There

* To wit, the economic applications of chemistry and of mechanics to agriculture, and to the useful arts of primary importance.

† See the splendid concluding paragraphs of Cosmos, vol. 1.

are even some in which the redacteur has been a vast improver, as Dumont's Bentham. Your objections to translations, sir, have no semblance of validity save in the departments of poetry and oratory; and in those departments you overlook the unquestionable fact that the very same causes which make translations inefficient, debar the foreigner equally almost from adequate appreciation of the original! Your Chakerbutties and their proners may hold forth, as they will, touching the beauties of Shakespeare and Milton, Burke and Fox and Sheridan. But unless the greatest critics of poetry and of oratory be dolts, said Chakerbutties are, after all, mere "learned pigs" in such matters; because the soul of eloquence in verse or prose is autocthonous, is so much bound up with the peculiar domestic, social, and political institutions and habits of each land, with its traditional glories and its infantine associations and myths, that a Hindu can scarcely more really appreciate the English masters of song and of oratory in our tongue than he could in his own! Thus, you perceive, sir, that your objection to translations in general, deduced from the worthlessness of translations in the Homeric and Demosthenian departments of human knowledge, is every way inadmissible, not being really sound even in the special view, and having little or no relevancy in a general view.

But sound knowledge, sir, *generally speaking*, is so far from being "cribbed, cabined, and confined" to the lingual organ which first happened to enshrine it, that nearly every month's mail brings us translations, little, if at all, inferior to the originals, whether those originals be German, Italian, or French. Now, sir, the mere fact that such works are constantly coming to us under the sanction of the highest names, and are in daily profitable use amongst us, is a sufficient answer to your general doctrine of the uselessness of "second-hand works;"*

* In reference to this superficial dogma of pedagogues and pedants, let me beg your attention to the justly world-renowned apophthegm of Hobbes, "Words are the counters of wise men and the money of fools." It may be safely said that he who has a correct notion of the real nature and function of all language will not allow his efforts for the national diffusion of the benefits of knowledge to be impeded by such pedantic hypercriticisms. Leave them, sir, I pray, to the Anglomaniacs, and when they next dun their nonsense in your ears, ask them if those historical works which are now commanding the best attention of themselves and their countrymen be not simply "second-hand" Niebuhrs, and Rankes, and Michelets, and Thiers, and Lamartines, and Guizots, and Thierries? And civilly entreat them for a response!

whilst in reply to your incautious reiteration of the Anglomaniac cry against the communication of the same benefits to our sable brethren through their tongues, I can only state that it has been proved, over and over again, by sound induction from philosophy and history, by recent facts, by cogent arguments and by express experiments, that the substance of all really useful English lore *can* be conveyed into the spoken tongues of India with perfect success, provided only that the known and demonstrated conditions of such success be not neglected.

Yours, &c., VERNACULARIS.

March 30, 1848.

APPENDIX.

PROPOSAL OF A NORMAL VERNACULAR COLLEGE FOR SCHOOL-MASTERS AND TRANSLATORS.

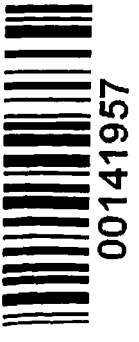
IT is believed that very many of the best friends of the cause of education in India, who ardently seek India's regeneration through European knowledge, are yet satisfied that all sound effective national instruction must be conveyed by and through the living languages of the people; that those languages in India—a country so anciently and eminently literary—cannot be and are not inadequate to the communication of European knowledge; and, lastly, that however ardent our zeal in this cause, we must be convinced we cannot *directly* provide for the mental wants of a population so vastly numerous as that of India. From the above simple premises, when viewed in connection with the wonders achieved lately in Europe by the regular *teaching of teachers*, results very obviously the course we should adopt for the educational regeneration of India. Let us not meddle directly with the education of the people in their own tongues; but let us establish an institution having for its object systematically and adequately to furnish the *means* of such education, to provide a *succession of good vernacular books and good vernacular teachers*.

Give to incipient education in European lore in India these

appliances, and that lore cannot fail to take root and flourish, naturally and wholesomely in this soil: withhold these appliances from such education, and it can never so take root and flourish, but will prove a sickly and unwholesome exotic.

Let us then have a school of indigenation—a school to *make all other schools succeed*—a school to furnish good books and good teachers in the living tongues of the people—a school to rear translators, who by staying within its walls, and schoolmasters, who by going abroad, shall together give a solid and safe *beginning* to the Europeanisation of India.

Good books and good teachers! are you not assured that these are what we want; well, then, let us bend our efforts, firstly and chiefly, to their attainment by founding the Normal Institution I have spoken of, and the plan of which may be easily settled by and by in Committee. Meanwhile let us manifest our sincerity and earnestness by coming forward with the requisite funds, and be assured, my friends, that we have but to show the way in order soon to behold it crowded with followers, wondering that these things had never before occurred to them.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